



## Year 2 Newsletter: Summer 2, 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2018

Hello! What a busy half term we have had! We hope your child enjoyed learning about Uganda - they have learnt a lot and had lots of prior knowledge due to your support at home. They loved creating their Uganda PowerPoint presentations and for those who came to see them, we're sure you will agree that they were very impressive!

### Our Topic: Castles

Next half term our topic will be 'Castles'. In this topic we look at all aspects of medieval life. We will be finding out what castles are, why they were built and learning to name the different parts of the castle. We will be focussing on Portchester Castle in particular and learning about the location of it and how its uses have changed over the years.

We will be going on our last school trip together to Portchester Castle; you should already have received a letter about this. As ever, we encourage any further research at home. Maybe your child could write an exciting story set in a castle?

### Moving On....

This is your child's last half-term with us and we hope to end the year by celebrating all that they have achieved since they joined us. In the penultimate week of term we will be having special goodbye year group assemblies. The dates for these are Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July (Robins' parents invited) and Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July (Swallows' parents invited).

We hope to prepare all the children for the change they will experience. We have weekly activities planned with Year 3 towards the end of the term. As ever, come and speak to us if you have any questions and concerns about this process.

### Reminders and Notices

Please ensure your child has full P.E. kit in school every day. This includes plimsolls, t-shirt, shorts and jogging bottoms for colder days. Please can we also remind you that children need their reading books in school every day.

Please remember when the weather is warmer you may need to send sun cream (named bottles please) in with your child. Your child will need to know how to apply it themselves. Named sun hats are a good idea too.

We will be making castles and for this **we will need boxes**. Please send your child in with a box or two. We need a range of sizes; small boxes, cereal boxes and larger! Thank you.

A big thank-you to all for your continuing support. As always, please come and speak to us if you have any concerns or questions.

The Year 2 Team

