



Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new term and a new year. I am really looking forward to a fun-packed half term as we explore our new topics. Please see the topic web for further information about what we will be learning this half-term.

### **Reading**

Children will continue to have the opportunity to change their reading books each morning as they complete them and log their reading on BoomReader. The expectation for reading engagement at this stage of Year 2 is for each child to read to an adult at home a minimum of 4 times a week. If you are having trouble logging in to BoomReader or having difficulty with reading at home at all, please do let me know.



### **Numbots**



Numbots is a fantastic tool that we actively encourage all children to use. It offers a comprehensive, tailored and independent approach to developing many crucial early arithmetic skills. We continually notice that the children who spend 10-20 minutes a week honing these skills on Numbots are the same children who feel more at ease in our Maths lessons and display their knowledge and skills more consistently. Again, if you are having any difficulties accessing Numbots, please do let me know.

### **Jumpers and Coats**

As the weather is unpredictable at this time of year, please ensure your child is coming to school with a jumper and coat each day. Please ensure these items are clearly labelled so as to avoid any confusion or loss of belongings.

### **PE**

Our PE day will be on a Thursday this half term, so on that day children will need to come to school in their PE kit. The children will be getting the chance to work with an external cricket coach during these PE sessions.

Finally, I'd just like to say a huge thank you to you and your children for my warm welcome back to Kingstone last half-term. I couldn't have asked for a lovelier class community to join. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Kind Regards,

Mr Bull

Year 2 Class Teacher