



# Ernesettle Community School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Term 2! Until Christmas our topic is 'From A to B' and we will continue to learn about different types of transport and the ways in which people travel in the past, present and future. We are still keen to have a visitor with an interest or skill in transport, so please get in touch with your class teacher if you can help us out.

In Term 2 we will have a trip around Plymouth on a double decker bus and make observational drawings on Plymouth Hoe. Before returning to school we will have a tour around the local bus depot and even going through the bus wash! In November, we will be taking the train to Gunnislake and will also visit the cinema as a special treat. Letters regarding these trips will be sent home soon. Fortunately, we are lucky enough to be able to give the children these life skills and educational opportunities at no cost to yourselves.

In English we will continue to practise our fiction writing through the fabulous book *Blown Away* by Rob Bidulph and then take a look at explanation texts through *The Story Machine* by Tom McLaughlin. As we approach Christmas, we will have a go at poetry writing using *The Night Before Christmas* by Clement Clarke Moore for inspiration. We will continue our daily handwriting practise so that children develop speed and confidence with their writing.

Maths will focus on the four operations and we will learn to use new multiplication and division skills, alongside developing our times tables. Every little bit of extra practise at home with times tables will go a long way. In Year 2, we focus on the 2, 10, 5 and 3 times tables and we practise chanting them daily. With your extra help at home, your child will reach their goal of knowing these times tables off by heart.

PE this term will be on a Tuesday for 2RL and 2SB. Please make sure your child has their full school PE kit in school on this day. As part of the school policy, if your child does not have their PE kit in school on this day they will unfortunately miss their break time until it is brought in.

During our topic 'A to B', we will be working closely with a company called 'Bike It', to support your child to have confidence in riding their bike without stabilisers - the next Bradley Wiggins in the making! Last year this was a huge success and now the children are ready to tackle the school's bike track with confidence.

Homework expectations this year include reading at **least three times per week**, completing a weekly spelling sheet and a weekly English/Maths or creative task. Homework books should be handed in on a **Thursday** so that new spelling sheets and homework can be added and your child's spelling test score can be reported. Homework books will be **returned to you on Friday**.

Just to remind you, all children in Key Stage 1 are entitled to a free school meal each day. There will be four options available including a hot meal, a vegetarian option, a jacket potato with filling or a sandwich. Your child will be encouraged to pick their option during Early Morning Learning.

Thank you for your continued support,

**Mrs Little and Miss Burring**

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