



Townlands C of E Primary Academy

"A journey of learning in the light of God's love"

Faith, Honesty, Love, Friendship, Forgiveness, Hope

"What shall we say the Kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? It is like a mustard seed which is the smallest seed you plant in the ground. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds of the air can perch in its shade."

The parable of the Mustard seed- Mark 4:30-32

Year Two Summer Term 1 2026

Teachers: Miss Kendall & Mr Emmerson

Welcome back! We hope you had an enjoyable Easter holiday and are well rested in preparation for an exciting new half term of learning.

We have a busy half term of learning planned for the children as we will learn all about the monarchy, identifying changes in living memory. Together, we will explore what a monarch is, who our current monarch is and how William the conqueror changed Britain.

In science, we will explore everyday materials and how they can be changed through bending, squashing, twisting and stretching. The children will take notes of how different materials can be manipulated and changed. We will also discuss how this means each material should be used.

Books we will be using to enhance our learning and love of reading.



A banning narrative:
Together we will use the story of The Kind Who Banned the Dark to help us write a narrative.



A persuasive letter:
Using the text in The King Who Banned the Dark, we will write a letter persuading someone to stop the ban.



The King Who Banned the Dark

In English, we will be reading the story 'The King Who Banned the Dark' by Emily Howarth-Booth. This is a wonderful story about a king who spreads rumours that the dark is scary and steals things like toys and sweets, eventually tricking the citizens into demanding a ban themselves.

Reading at home

We encourage the children to read **at least five times a week** and discuss what they have read with an adult. A reading record must be completed and signed by an adult.

Maths homework to be completed on MyMaths. Children will be expected to complete this weekly.

Spellings can be found on the school website and these will be tested in school on a Friday.

Homework and reading records will be checked every Friday morning.

PE:

P.E sessions will be taught weekly by our sports coach Mr Moon and Mr Emmerson. P.E will be taught on Tuesday afternoon by Mr Emmerson and Friday morning by Mr Moon.

It is important that the children wear their P.E. kit to school on these days. This needs to include an outdoor kit which is navy joggers, sweat shirt and trainers and indoor kit which is shorts, T-shirt and plimsols.

Health & Safety reminder: No jewellery to be worn during PE lessons, however if earrings can't be removed then they need taping over. Children should bring their own tape and long hair tied up.

Water:



The children need to continue to bring to school fresh **water** (not juice) each day in a labelled bottle. It is important they do this because they do get thirsty throughout the day. We thank you for your cooperation with this.

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 23rd April – Royal Day

Wednesday 29th April – Year 2 class trip Sudbury Hall

Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday

Thursday 21st May – Whole school art day

Keep looking at our pages on the website for information and activities. If you have any queries or questions at any time, then please feel free to phone or email the school office.

Finally, keep an eye on Townlands Facebook page for the latest updates and successes.