



# Gayhurst Community School

## Class Information for Parents / Carers

Date: April 2023 Teacher: Lauren Class: **2L**

**English– we are learning to:** We will be developing our sentences. We will be learning to punctuate our sentences correctly using capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks. We will be using commas for lists and using coordination (and, or, but) and subordination (when, if, that, or, because). We will be reading a range of books this term. **The Man on the Moon** is about Bob who works on the moon and entertains his guests. He doesn't believe there are aliens, but he may be wrong! We will be writing a diary entry, a persuasive piece and an alternative ending for the story. We will also be looking at **Farmer Duck**, which is about a lazy farmer and a little duck who does all the work. We will be writing a letter to the farmer as the duck, retelling the story and writing some dialogue for the duck. **You can help your child at home by:** Reading with them every day, emphasizing where the punctuation is when reading and the effect it has when reading. **You can help your child at home by:** getting children to check their sentences, to see if they have used capital letters, full stops, commas, question marks and exclamation marks correctly. You can also get your child to improve their work by adding in interesting adjectives.

**Maths – we are learning to:** Consolidate our understanding of **place value** by recognising the place value of each digit in a 2-digit number and comparing and ordering numbers to 100. We will be **adding and subtracting** two 2-digit numbers and adding 3 single digit numbers and understanding the inverse. We will also be solving problems that involve addition, subtraction. We will be calculating **multiplications and divisions** (related to the 2,5 and 10 times tables) and practising doubles up to 10 and then 100 using concrete objects and pictorial representations. When learning about **money**, we will be writing money as pounds and pence, finding the difference between amounts and calculating change. We will also be **describing positions** of items, **describing turns** of right angles (quarter, half and three quarter turns), **describing movements** ( forwards, backwards, up and down) and creating and identifying **patterns**.

### **Science, Computing, DT, RE and Geography:**

This term, in **Science** the children will be learning about **Growing Plants** . The children will be learning about the different types of seeds, how they germinate, how different seeds and bulbs grow and how seeds are dispersed. We will also be learning about **Seasonal Changes**, looking closely at the seasons and the change in temperature and extreme weather! Our topic in **RE** will be **Special Books**. We will be finding out which books are special for Jewish, Christian and Muslim people. Our topic for **DT** will be **construction**. We will be looking at free standing structures and building our own free standing structure. Our topic in **Geography** will be all about **Holidays**. We will be looking at the UK and the location of the continents and oceans. We will also be comparing different physical features. In **computing** will learning about **spreadsheets**.

**PE**  
This term we will have P.E on a **Monday and Wednesday**  
**It is very important that all children have a complete change of clothes for PE, for safety and hygiene including trainers or plimsolls. Please provide your child with a hair band if they long hair and ensure they do not wear any jewellery.**

**A message from your child's teacher:** I wish you all a warm welcome back to school as the summer term begins! I know the children will really enjoy our learning in science and DT in the upcoming weeks, not to mention our new books in English, surrealism in art (Max Ernst) and problem-solving in maths. 2L will also be looking forward to our class assembly, where we will share our learning with you. Please keep up the amazing daily reading at home, as 2L are making great progress.

School starts promptly at 9:00 am and ends at 3:30 pm. Please inform the school if your child is sick.