

# Year Two Newsletter

January 2013

## Learning Focus

As you may be aware, this week we have been learning about penguins, using our knowledge about non-fiction texts to research and find out about the animals.

Our learning focus for the remaining half term will be 'Stories from around the world'.

For the next three weeks, we will be completing our second visual literacy unit. We will be watching the film 'Mulan' and using it as an inspiration for writing. We will also be learning about the characters, setting and plot of the film as well as doing some drama linked to it.



In Geography this half term we will be finding out about life in China. We will be using Google Maps to view the physical features of the country as well as using a range of other visual stimuli to see how China differs from England and how the people live their lives.

During the week beginning 4th February, we will be looking at traditional stories set in countries around the world.

We look forward to taking part in Creative Arts Week during the last week of this half term.



## Science Learning Focus

This half term we will be learning about sound and conducting some exciting experiments to try to find out a bit more about how sound works.

For our experiment next week, if you have empty any 500ml bottles (particularly coca-cola) please could you send them into school by Monday?



## Mathematics Learning Focus

In **Mathematics**, activities will focus on number, particularly addition and subtraction of hundreds, tens and units. We will also be using money to help us solve problems as well as using number facts.

## PE

This term, children will have dance on Tuesdays with Beccy and Games on Fridays with Chris.



## A date for your diary

Our next workshops will be 9.00am—10.30am:

- 2R Monday 11th February
- 2B Tuesday 12th February
- 2Y Wednesday 13th February

More details will follow shortly.

Thank you, from the Year Two Team:

Miss Murphy, Miss Pugh, Mrs Griffin, Mrs May, Mrs Pell, Mrs Boraston and Mrs Jones