Dear Year 2 Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a fantastic half term and managed to enjoy the long awaited sunshine over the Bank Holiday weekend.



Our new topic is called 'Coastline', which is a Geography based topic exploring coastal regions across the UK. If you have visited any coastal locations and have photos, it would be great if your child could share them with the class and add them to our class display.

In Numeracy we will be focusing on different units of measurement. Our KIRF for this half term is to recall multiplication and division facts for the 5 times table. The children will also be

- Learning about time in more detail, including finding and comparing durations of time
- Measure and compare mass and capacity.

Our work in History and Geography will focus on using maps and understanding human and physical features of a coastal town with the children learning to

- Name and locate the world's oceans and continents and name and locate the four countries and surrounding seas of the UK
- Understand how an environment might change over time
- Understand what it was like to live in another period of time.

If you have any queries or concerns, please see me and I will be happy to arrange a time to talk to you. Regards, During literacy the children will be writing descriptions, stories and reports linked to the coastal topic. The children will be learning to

- Use past and present tense
- Use a wide range of vocabulary, including topic specific vocabulary
- Spell with greater accuracy, applying spelling patterns such as 'ed' for past tense.
  Our second 'Readopoly' reading challenge continues to encourage your child to vary their reading choices and increase their reading stamina. Don't forget they should be reading at least three times a week please.

Within Science lessons the children will be investigating why boats float and during Design and Technology lessons they will be making a Beach Hut. The children will be learning to

- Identify and compare materials
- Observe how water changes from a solid to a liquid, using simple equipment to measure and make observations
- Explore how a structure can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable.

P.E lessons will continue on Wednesday's and Friday's outside, so please make sure your child has a hat that they can wear should the sun shine for us!

Mrs Lisa Palin