# Framwellgate Moor Primary School

**Year 2 Parents Information Sheet: Autumn 1 2012**

Welcome to Year 2! Our topic this first half term is ***Home Sweet Home.***

**Literacy:** During this half term we will look at the following Literacy units:

- Narrative: Stories with familiar settings.
- Poetry: Patterns on a page.
- Reading Week

Within these units, I will focus on the correct use of punctuation, increasing the length of a piece of writing and adding description to simple sentences. The texts we read in class will extend children's reading ability.

Speaking and listening is a key element of literacy. This will be developed through role-play, drama, discussion and group speaking.

**Numeracy:** *Some of the key objectives being taught in Year 2 during the Autumn term are:*

- Say the number that is one or ten more/less than a two-digit number
- Recall multiplication facts of 10 times-table
- Recall addition and subtraction facts for each number up to 10
- Recall doubles to 10+10 and corresponding halves
- Say number names in order to at least 100, from and back to zero.
- Count reliably up to 100 objects by grouping them in tens.
- Count on or back in ones or tens from any two-digit number.
- Recognise two-digit multiples of 10.
- Count in 100s from/back to 0.
- Read and write whole numbers from 0 to 50 in figures and words.
- Know what each digit in a two-digit number represents including 0 as place holder.

**Skills:** The skills lessons cover History, Geography and Science. These subjects will be taught through a skills based topic approach. Our topic for the first part of the term is 'Home Sweet Home' and will involve the investigation of how homes are built (construction, materials, etc),

**Creativity:** During Music the children will be exploring duration, rhythm and pulse by singing a range of songs and by using instruments to produce their own sounds. During Art and Design Technology we will be designing and constructing our own houses. There will also be the

**R.E:** This half term we will look at the special books that are important within different religious groups. We will discuss the respect that these books must be given and look at some examples

**ICT:** We will begin by helping children to understand what the initials I.C.T (Information and

**PSHCE:** This will focus upon the theme of 'Knowing Me' and 'Staying Healthy' from the Telling Tales programme. We will also be following a new 'Zippy' programme which will support pupils

**P.E:** Children will be participating in gymnastics and dance lessons this autumn term. PE will take place on a Monday and Wednesday afternoon. We have a specialist gymnastics coach for

**How you can help at home / Extra Information**

Talk to your child about our topic of ***Home Sweet Home*** and encourage them to think about the different types of houses and the materials that can be used to build a home.

The children will continue to bring home their Homework folder every Thursday. Homework will generally be a sheet with both Literacy and Numeracy activities relating to what we are learning in class. Most children in Year 2 will need some guidance on their homework but please encourage them to do all writing for themselves. Homework folders must be returned by the following Tuesday to ensure teachers have time to mark the previous work.

Children will continue to bring home weekly spelling word lists to learn. Spellings lists will be sent home every Friday. They need to be completed and back in school for the following Thursday. Children will have a spellings test every Thursday and feedback will be written on a certificate ready for the Friday with the new spellings list.

Children will continue to bring home a school reading book and reading record. Please share home readers as often as possible - every night would be fantastic! Please record each book you and your child read and children will be rewarded with housepoints.

Our school library is currently open every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Year 2 children may visit during these mornings and can choose any book. This book may be easy for your child to read for themselves or it may be a book to enjoy together. Pupils can choose a library book and then return it to be swapped on the next library day. However, pupils may keep a book for up

Any queries or concerns, please don't hesitate to catch me briefly on a morning or after school. If you would like to make arrangements to come into school for a longer chat, then an appointment before school starts at 8.45am or after 3.20pm would be best.

Miss J White

Date: September 2012