

Welcome to Year 2!

Your staff team is:

Rhedwan, Class Teacher

Liz, Teaching Assistant

Kathleen, Assistant Head

Year 2 pupils:

During your time in Leo class, we expect you to:

- ★ Always try your best;
- ★ Be kind and considerate to everyone;
- ★ Do your homework - hand it in every **Tuesday** and it will be given out again on **Thursday**;
- ★ Read every day to an adult at home and write in your reading journals every time;
- ★ Look after your own things;
- ★ Make sure you wear the correct uniform with the appropriate footwear (ensuring that all items are labelled with your name);
- ★ Have PE kits for Tuesdays and Fridays

Key websites

- ★ Maths: <https://ttrockstars.com/>
- ★ Teams: <https://www.office.com/>
- ★ myON: <https://www.myon.co.uk/login/index.html>

www.halley.towerhamlets.sch.uk

Dear Parents/Carers...

We want to make the transition from Year 1 to Year 2 as smooth as possible for your child. You can support this by:

Listening to them read, or asking them about the books they are reading and encouraging them to read every day.

- ★ Encourage your child's growing independence such as dressing themselves and using a keyboard to log in to their home learning.
- ★ Encourage your child to practice the following spellings set this term for Phonics

- ★ Practise maths skills in a friendly and informal

Spelling Pattern:

Alternative spellings of the long 'i' sound

Example words:

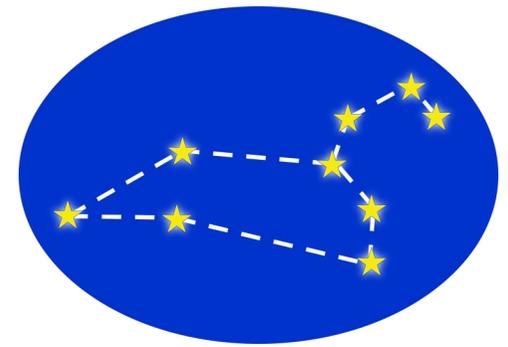
Child, lie, smile, bright, why

Alternative spellings of ai
a, ay, a-e, eigh, ey

angel, playful, made, eighty, grey

way, such as games and repeating times tables using Times Tables Rock Stars.

- ★ Encourage and support them to do their homework by themselves. Remember it's their homework, not yours.
- ★ If you have any questions or if you or your child have any worries - no matter how small - please come and let us know.



Leo

Be considerate, be sensible and above all, be the best you can be!

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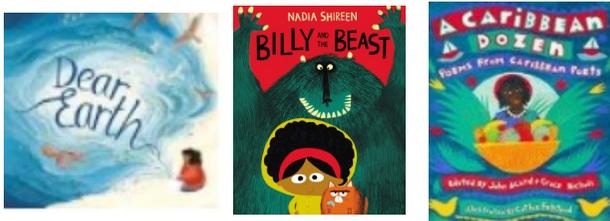
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English

As part of **Black History month**, our English work this half-term will be around the book *Billy and the Beast* by Nadia Shireen. We will explore the use of imagery and language to improve our understanding of grammar, vocabulary and story-telling.

Reading



Dear Earth by Isabel Otter

Billy and the Beast by Nadia Shireen

Caribbean Dozen by John Agard & Grace Nicholas

This half term we are reading the book *Dear Earth* to encourage the children to come up with ways that they can help reduce, reuse, and recycle, and support our learning during enterprise week. Pupils will also read the book *Caribbean Dozen* that will help them deepen their understanding of poetry, in particular, poetry that celebrates black history.

Geography

In Geography, we will be using atlases to find the capital of Jamaica. We will learn about Jamaica for Black History month, including locating it on a world map. We will compare real world examples of natural and human-made features.

History

In History, we will be exploring the life of a significant British black figure; David Lammy. Pupils will learn to order events in chronological order, in particular, through the context of Windrush. Children will use this context to write a recount in the first person about their journey during the period in which Windrush occurred.

Theme: Dig Deeper, Look Closer, Think Bigger



Computing

Pupils will learn about a selection of different styles of popular music from the past 60 years and be tasked with creating their own versions using the app 'GarageBand'.

Maths

Children will be exploring place value. They will learn to read and write numbers up to 100 in both numerals and words. Children will learn to order and compare numbers using the greater than > and less than < symbols. Children will learn to count in steps of 2s, 3s and 5s forwards and backwards from 0.

Music: Keyboards

Religious Education: How should we care for others in the world and why does it matter.

Art: Learn how to colour fabrics by dip dyeing.

Physical Education: Attach, Defend and Shoot.



Personal Social Health Education: Being Me In My World

Science: Uses of everyday materials.