#### Our Class Monitors this Year are:

This week the children voted for their new School Council, Eco monitors and Rights Respecting Ambassadors. Everyone in Year 2 has a responsibility. Please ask your child about their role. School council: Savannah and Inaaya Rights Respecting Ambassadors: Finley and Adrian

Eco monitors: Iram and Amiya



#### PE

In PE we will be playing a range of sports including net games,

PE is on Tuesday.

## <u>Spanish</u>

We will be learning to say our age and spell our names in Spanish.



#### Music

We follow the music programme Charanga and this half term, will be learning new songs, focusing on South African styles. Our first song will be 'Hands, feet, heart'. We will also learn a Black History Month song to perform.



# Art and Design and DT

The children will be experimenting with mixed media to create some still life art.



# Gainsborough Primary School Autumn 1

Year 2 Class Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers of children in Year 2, we hope you all had a restful Summer break. We look forward to a term full of exciting learning.

## Adults Working in Year 2

Mrs Lincoln — Class teacher Miss Malcolm — Teaching assistant Ms Torsun

## Dates for your Diary

Biker's Breakfast event 8.45am Friday 17th September

Democracy Day Friday 15th September

Hackney Wick Carnival Sunday 17th September

Parents in class Black History Month Friday 6th October

2.45pm

Halloween Disco Thursday 19th October

INSET DAY Friday 20th October



## <u>Gainsborough Keeps Campaign</u>

Our class campaign links to 'keep healthy'. We will be thinking about how we can eat healthily at school and will promote healthy eating as part of Fairtrade Fortnight.

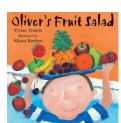
#### Article 24

You have the right to the best health care possible, safe water to drink, nutritious food, a clean and safe environment, and information to help you stay well.

#### <u>Writing</u>

Our writing units this half term are based around our topic on food. Our writing lessons will be linked to the story 'Oliver's Fruit Salad'. In this unit, we will be writing an autobiography, instructions for how to make our favourite food and a retell. We will be focusing on saying our sentences out loud before we write them.

The grammar features we are focusing on will be capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.



### Reading

This half term we will be continuing to learn reading through phonics.

During our class reading hour, we will be reading 'Oliver's Vegetables' for which we will practise the skill of summarising.

Please read with your child at home and write a comment in their reading log to show what they have been reading. Your child should also be summarising what they read at home in their yellow reading log.

#### Science

This half term's science topic is animals including humans. Through this we will explore what animals need to be healthy. For humans, we will consider what makes a healthy diet and how exercise helps to keep us healthy.

We will be practising the scientific skills of observation and drawing labelled diagrams.



#### **ICT**

In computing we will be looking at IT all around us, learning about computing systems and networks. We will look at how information technology benefits society.

# History & Geography

This half term we will be focusing on geography. We will learn about where our food comes from. We will be tasting different foods and finding out why some fruits and vegetables can only be grown in warmer countries. We will explore how food travels from where it is grown to our shops, as well as learning what Fairtrade is and why it's so important.

### Maths

Our first unit in maths, is place value. We will explore this by counting to and partitioning numbers to 100, which we will be writing in numerals and words.

We will also be counting in twos, fives and tens to prepare us to learn these times tables too.

Addition and subtraction is our second maths unit, where we will recap our number bonds to ten to help us identify number bonds to 20 and 100. We will then use our place value knowledge of ones and tens to add and subtract two digit numbers.

In year 2, it is really important that children learn their 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Your child should be practising these frequently at home. Times Ta-

bles Rockstars is a great website for this. Your child will receive their own login.

