



13th December 2018

Dear Year 2 Families

Firstly, thank you for all your support over the last few weeks. The children have very much enjoyed the run up to the Christmas holidays and all the special activities that go with it. As usual, there will be much to look forward to in the new term as we explore the World. Attached is an overview of the first half term. Also included are blank thought bubbles for you and your child to think about their existing knowledge as well as questions or ideas they would like to find out about. Please bring these back at the beginning of the new term.

Our learning journey called '**Around the World in 80 Days**' is centred on a **journey around the world**, has a **Geography** focus and will continue across both spring terms. The children will be practising and developing their map skills and becoming familiar with the continents and oceans of the world. As a Super Start, we would like to have a workshop all morning on **Monday 7th January** where we will showcase different countries (this would involve contributing to a country display where you would bring in items/photographs/information about a country of your choice). You can either come in the morning to set-up a display and leave it, or you are welcome to stay for the morning and talk to the children about your display. We will need lots of input from parents/carers for this, so if you can help please fill in the slip on SchoolPing. For a Marvellous Middle, we will be exploring and cooking foods from around the world.

As usual children are encouraged to bring in any books, pictures or items of interest to support the learning of the class or add to the class display. All home learning books should be in school at present; the new grid will come out to you stuck into their home learning book within the first few days of the new term.

Best wishes and happy holidays!
The Year 2 Team