## A message from Mr Gandy

A huge welcome back to our lovely school. I can't wait to see you all and get to know you and your families as we begin our adventure together in Year 2DG. I have had a busy summer and enjoyed my holiday, reading in the garden and visiting my friends. This is my first year working at Bridgewater having previously worked with Year 1 and Year 2 children at a school in Manchester. I love teaching in KS1, especially Geography and History which are my speciality subjects, as well as English and Maths.

#### Maths:

In Maths we will begin our learning by recapping our Place Value knowledge from Year One and building on this with lots of practical activities and number games. This will include identifying numbers, rounding and partitioning. Our focus will be making sure that children are confident and ready to begin the Year 2 curriculum.



# English:

We will begin our learning by reading 'Rabbit Problem' which is a beautiful story with lots of writing opportunities and chance to explore characters.



There will also be daily sessions on spelling and handwriting and time to practise our Phonics sounds.

# Year 2DG Newsletter September 2022

Hello Year 2! I hope you have all had a safe Summer break and have enjoyed the gorgeous sunshine that we have had. I am sure that you are both ready and excited to be returning to school and catching up with all your friends.

All staff at Bridgewater have been working very hard to make sure our school and classrooms are looking sparkling and new for you! There will be lots of help from staff about finding things around school and helping you to settle in.

We have amazing experiences planned and there will be bucket loads of fun to be had.

I can't wait for you to explore your new Year2 classroom and spot new additions around school. It's safe to say the teachers have been very busy! Please don't hesitate to speak to me with any concerns or queries you may have.

### **Spelling**

Don't forget we will upload your weekly spellings onto Spelling Shed for you to practise. Our spelling test will be held on a Friday and the score recorded in reading records.

# P.E

Our P.E session will take place on a Tuesday. Children are asked to come into school already wearing their full P.E kit and will wear this all day.

#### Drinks

We politely ask that children are prepared for school with their own drink bottle, to stay hydrated throughout the day.

#### **Homework**

Will be given out every Friday and is due in the following Wednesday.

# **History**

In Autumn term will start our fantastic topic all about 'Famous People in History'. We will learn about why these individuals are famous and what they did to shape our world. You may recognise some of these faces...







Can you think of a famous person from the past? Maybe they had a famous invention or hold a world record. There will be plenty of time for you to share your knowledge in the classroom with your friends.

# Science:

This half term, we will be learning all about forces and the effect on different materials. We get to investigate how vehicles move and test what surfaces are best for speed.

Why not have a look at this cool website where you can watch a cartoon about 'push' and 'pull' forces. https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/z9nkqty

#### TTRockstars:

Also, you can login to TTRS and practise your times tables. In Y2 we learn x1, x2, x5, x10.