# Year 2

Dear Parents and Carers,



It's been another busy week and the children have been working hard. We look forward to talking to you about how your child has settled into Year 2 during your parent consultation the week beginning 12th October. Don't forget to tell us the best telephone number to contact you on when you book your consultation.

#### English

We started the week with an introduction to our new wordless text 'Flotsam' by David Weisner. We have lots of interesting discussions about what it is and the things children have found on the seashore. The children really enjoyed looking at five different trays of flotsam and using their observation and deduction skills to identify the different objects and predict who they might belong to.

#### Maths

This week we have switched focus to subtraction and finding the difference. We have used lots of different resources to represent number stories including pictures, 10s frames, bar models and cubes. Please encourage your child to practise number bonds, doubles and halves to increase fluency. Activities to support their learning of these can be found on the Hit the Button website - <a href="https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button">https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button</a>

#### **Foundation Subjects**

On our journey back in time to the Victorian seaside we focussed on what the other types of entertainment were popular at the time, including donkey rides, carousels and Punch & Judy. We continued our investigation into wheels and axles and had a hands-on opportunity to explore how to construct them using different sizes. In science we took a closer look at coastal habitats and the children worked in pairs to create and label some amazing rockpool pictures.

## Notices & Reminders

- DON'T FORGET school photographs will be taken next week! Wednesday Bracken & Heather, Thursday - Clover.
- Please could you continue to collect and send in small cardboard boxes for a DT project by Friday 9th October.
- As the weather changes, please can you ensure your child has a coat as we will continue to get outside as often as possible.

## Values Award

Bracken Dominic & Freja; Clover - Lillian & Nicholas; Heather - Alfie & Gaya

## Diamond Work Award

Bracken - Elliot & Mia; Clover - Ennis & Esme; Heather - Ezoza & Fraser