## Helping Your Child at Home

## Reading

Please continue to read with your child at least 4 times a week at home.
Your child's book and reading record or Read Write Inc folder should be in school every day.
Each time your child reads at home they will get a smiley face and a red token to put in the class token pot. This is to help encourage them to read at home. We aim to beat our total number of reads each term.

## Home Support

Children are also required to complete weekly My Maths homework and practise spellings ready for a test each Friday. Your child will receive two smiley faces for correct spellings and five for completing maths homework by Friday. For extra support at home, please use www.topmarks.co.uk and Phonics Play www.phonicsplay.co.uk.
Spending fifteen minutes on an activity every night has a considerable impact on your child's learning and can make all the difference.

Thank you for your support.

## Year 2 Clubs

Information about clubs available for Year 2 after school will be communicated in the form of a letter or email. Sometimes these clubs are free or sometimes there is a charge, this will be explained in the letter/email.

## Year 2

## Term 5 Newsletter

Welcome back to Term 5. We hope that you enjoyed the break and that you are ready for the term ahead. We are excited to begin our new theme which is all about Jamaica. This incorporates learning about some famous Jamaican faces, physical and human features in geography and sculpture in art.

The purpose of this leaflet is to provide Year 2 pupils and parents with information about the term ahead. A new leaflet is sent at the start of each term - these documents are also available to download on the school website: www.standens.northants.sch.uk.
@StandensBarnPS - our Twitter feed is embedded on the homepage of the school website as well as on Facebook too.

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## Year 2 Curriculum

With the exception of Maths, Music, PSHE and Computing, all subjects will be linked to the theme of Jamaica in some way:

## Writing:

Writing this term will be linked to our theme by exploring the lives of two famous Jamaicans - Usain Bolt and Bob Marley. Through this unit of work, the children will develop their speaking, listening, reading and writing skills as they write a biography about each of these people.

## Maths

This term we will continue with length and height before moving onto mass, capacity and temperature and fractions. Please continue to support your child at home in these areas. My Maths homework will be linked to the learning in lessons too.

## PSHE

The PSHE theme this term is all about being our BEST.

## Music

The children will develop their understanding of Dynamics and Tempo including Juba Dance by Florence Price. We will also be exposing the children to some Bob Marley music and some steel drums.

## Art

Art focuses on sculpture this term. We will be looking at some prominent sculptors of the human form and create work in the style of Alberto Giacometti. We will use Usain Bolt and Bob Marley as inspiration for our sculptures.

## Science

In Science, the children will learn about animals (including humans). We will discuss what is needed in order to survive and keep healthy, as well as hygiene and growth.

## Geography

In Geography, children will learn what an island is and locate Jamaica on a map. They will make comparisons between the climate of the UK and Jamaica and the physical and human features of the UK and Jamaica (coast, climate, houses, shops).

## Computing

This term in computing, Year 2 will be creating media and digital music.

## PE:

Children are required to come into school wearing their PE kit on Thursdays. During Term 5 we will be working on our hitting, catching and running skills.

