Atlantic Academy
PRESENTS



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back. We hope you've enjoyed a lovely summer.

Our first Year 2 topic is **The United Kingdom**. This half-term, we will explore England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Wales, starting with an exciting launch day to celebrate each country's unique culture.

Please support your child's reading by encouraging 10 minutes of daily reading and signing their reading record. We check these daily and love celebrating your child's progress.

Homework:

- **Daily Reading** – 10 minutes
- **Spelling** – Set every Friday, due the next Friday
- **Numbots** - 10 minutes per week.

PE is on **Wednesdays**. Please ensure your child has a named PE kit in school..

Do please use the contact form on the school website, if there is something about your child which we should know. We are excited to be starting a new year together with you.

Miss Chant and Mr Jarman

OUR DRIVING QUESTION:

As explorers, can we discover the countries that make up the United Kingdom?

AS WRITERS we will be focusing on texts called Katie in London and Katie in Scotland. We will be writing short stories and letters. **AS READERS** we will be improving our fluency of short chapter books.

AS MATHEMATICIANS we will be developing our fluency skills through our Mastering number program. We will also be learning all about the place value of 2 digit numbers, developing our comparing, ordering and counting skills.

AS GEOGRAPHERS we will be learning about all of the countries of the UK, exploring what it is like to live in a city and how it is different to the countryside.

AS COMPUTER SCIENTISTS we will be learning about how to keep ourselves safe online.

AS ARTISTS we will explore different English artists and their fascinating works of art! We will explore different techniques and make our own fantastic gallery.

AS SCIENTISTS we will be exploring and classifying bulbs and seeds. We will apply our learning when we are invited to do bulb planting with Portland Rotary Club.

AS CITIZENS (PSHCE) we will be understanding how to have safe, healthy relationships.

AS MUSICIANS, we will be focusing on learning and performing a song called Tony Chestnut as well as exploring traditional harvest songs.

AS SPORTS STARS we will be continuing our journey to becoming great athletes by perfecting our Fundamental Movement Skills, with confidence.

AS RELIGIOUS INVESTIGATORS we will be learning all about Judaism.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Every child must have a named drink bottle that can be refilled with water.
- Reading logs need to be signed by a parent daily and brought into school each day.
- Please name all uniforms.



How can we, as Geographers, investigate the countries of the United Kingdom?

Termly homework

Please choose at least two of these projects to complete at home and bring into school to display. Photos can be emailed in for us to celebrate!

Aspire Challenge Design and build your own bug hotel.	Research traditional bakes from different parts of the UK and bake! Can you make scones or Welsh cakes?	Create a poster advertising a holiday in the UK
Aspire Challenge. Carry out a litter pick on your street.	Make a model of a well known landmark or monument in the UK	Conduct a survey of how many people you know have been to the capital cities of the UK. Record whether they have caught a bus, train or driven up to London. Record the data in a tally/pictogram.
Research three football teams who are based in the UK and draw their kits.	Record the weather in different UK cities over a week.	Make a map of how you get to London from Portland.