



*William Shrewsbury Primary School*  
**YEAR TWO NEWSLETTER**  
*Spring Term 2020*



**Thank you!**

Firstly, we would like to thank you for all your continued support with your child's learning so far this year. We have been very pleased with the Family Homework Challenges. We realise how busy things are so thank you for your continued support. The children are so excited to show them to us!

We are extremely pleased with how hard the children have been working and the positive attitude they have towards their learning, showing great resilience, independence and a want to challenge and better themselves. This is reflected in their continued progression and the quality of work that they produce. We hope to continue this drive in to the next two terms.

**Important Dates**

- 14.2.20 - Break up for half term
- 24.2.20 - INSET Day
- 25.2.20 - School re-opens
- 11.3.20 - Parents Evening
- 19.3.20 - Parents Evening
- 28.3.20 - AFWS Chocolate Bingo
- 3.4.20 - Easter Bonnet Parade- 2.30pm
- Break up for Easter
- 20.4.20 - School re-opens.

**Dance Mat Typing**

In ICT we have introduced the children to a free online resource on the BBC website that teaches children (and adults) how to touch type i.e. typing without looking at the keys.

We are spending time in ICT lessons helping children develop confident typing skills but it would be great if they could practise at home.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/guides/z3c6tfr>

**Learning Update**

**English:**

**This half term's text: The Highway Rat by Julia Donaldson.**

In writing we will be focussing on different sentence types. The aim is for children to apply these sentence types in their writing. They are:

- Statements- giving information in a sentence
- Question- asking something
- Command- giving an instruction
- Exclamation- a way of showing emotion/reaction.

In reading we are still ensuring that children are reading fluently, with expression and noticing the punctuation marks when reading aloud. We have tried a strategy of 'echo reading' where an adult reads a passage and the children repeat it back in the same way.

**Maths:**

All Maths groups have now completed strategies for addition and subtraction. The children have worked incredibly hard to apply these strategies to arithmetic calculations and word problems.

We are now moving on to multiplication and division. Please have a look on the next page to see how you can support with this at home.

