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Dear parents,

Our Year 2 children had a fun Shelter Building Day yesterday, with our shelters remaining on the field. During the day we managed to roast marshmallows and make popcorn.

Nearly everyone now has wellies at school, so please could we ask that anyone without can bring them in as soon as possible. We will be using the field at playtimes and wouldn't want anyone missing out.



After rescuing vegetables taped to our class tables, we received letters from Dr Charlie Choc (a chocolate bar!). At first we thought he must be a cruel character, but soon we found out he was just feeling hurt. We have been writing letters, one cross and the other much nicer. We have also been using the 'Supertato' story to help us in our writing.

In Maths, we have been looking at doubles and number bonds. Those children who know all

their doubles up to 10 have become 'Doubles Teachers' and have started helping others with their learning. Also the children are learning all the pairs of numbers that make 10 (0+10,1+9,2+8,3+7,4+6,5+5,6+4,7+3,8+2,9+1,10+0). Lots of children have already become experts at remembering them.

0+0 0	1+1 2	2+2 4	3+3 6
4+4 8	5+5 10	6+6 12	7+7 14
8+8 16	9+9 18	10+10 20	11+11 22

Our next focus will be on addition, particularly adding any single digit numbers. If you want to help your child with this, start with small numbers to build confidence (2+1,3+2), and then move onto the bigger numbers (7+5,6+9).

Many of our children will bring home spellings to practise, reading words to learn or maths work from intervention groups. The children benefit so much in class when given help and support at home.

Please help at home by –

- Practising doubles, especially the big ones! (6+6,7+7,8+8,9+9) See what your child already knows and then try and build on this.
- Writing simple sentences with a capital letter, a full stop and clear finger spaces between words.

Thank you for your support,

The Year 1/2 team

PS. The school website has been updated and includes some photos from so far this term. Search for the Year 1 & 2 page under 'Pupils' and 'Class Pages.'

