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**Welcome to Hazel Class**

Hello,

We are delighted to announce that we will be your Year 2 teachers starting in September. Joining us in class will be the wonderful Mrs. Timpson and Miss March.

Each week, you'll have the pleasure of being taught by Mrs. Cuffaro on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays, and by Mrs. Goldhawk on Thursdays and Fridays. Last year, Mrs. Cuffaro taught Year 2 and Mrs. Goldhawk taught Year 4. We are thrilled to be teaching Year 2 this year, and we have many exciting and fun activities planned for you.

In the autumn term, our topic will be Explorers! We will learn about the lives and significance of Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong. We'll embark on an expedition in the school grounds, discover navigation techniques, and practice navigating simple journeys. We'll also explore the vessels and clothing used in different expeditions and compare them across various eras. You will even get to role-play as a member of the Columbus or Armstrong expedition team!

In the spring, our focus will be the Great Fire of London and Samuel Pepys. We'll imagine traveling back in time to 1666 to discover what life was like. We'll build models of the houses and burn them in our forest area to see how the fire might have spread. Additionally, we'll learn about the Gunpowder Plot, exploring what happened and why we still celebrate Bonfire Night today.

In the summer term, our studies will take us to Africa! We'll delve into the geography of Kenya and compare it to the UK. Get ready to pack your imaginary bags for a safari adventure! We'll watch a live safari online and try to spot some wildlife. We will also explore African art and perhaps create some jewellery or masks.

We are already planning how to make our classroom bright and colourful for the upcoming year.

We hope you have a wonderful summer holiday and are looking forward to seeing you all in September.

Best wishes,

The Hazel Teachers