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Dear Parents/Carers

**Australia Day – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January**

This half term our **Year 2** topic is Australia. On **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January**, our Year 2 children will be celebrating Australia Day in school. This is a national event in Australia to commemorate the first landing in Australia by Captain Arthur Philips in 1788.

To celebrate this historic event, we would like our Year 2 children (**this is for our Year 2 children only and no other year groups**) to come to school wearing red, white and blue clothes which are the three colours represented on the Australia flag. During the day, the children will be learning traditional Australian dances, songs and reading traditional stories.

We would like to invite you to come into school at **2.45pm on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February**, to watch a special performance of some of the songs and dances the children have been learning. These will also go out live on Zoom. A link will be sent the week before. Younger siblings are also welcomed to attend. For their performance day, children also wear red, white and blue clothes.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Rogers

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