

March 2024

Dear families

### **Stretch – Year 2**

We are excited to launch Stretch Projects with our current Year 2 cohort. Each year, students from Year 2 participate in the competition in the final term in preparation for their transition into Key Stage 2.

#### **Year 2 Topic: Me and my family**

Students will generate ideas for, plan and write a speech, focussing on two further questions:

1. What makes me special?
2. What makes my family special?

The Stretch speech is written within school time with guidance from the class teacher and should be accompanied by a paper poster or an interactive PowerPoint presentation, which should be created at home. Any posters or PowerPoints should be clear and bright, illustrating key points made in the speech and can include drawings or photographs of the student, their interests and family. Resources to support the presentations, such as A3 paper for posters and notecards, will be sent out by the class teacher. The speech should last for approximately 2-3 minutes. Please send any PowerPoint presentations to the class email address [huddersfield@dixonsmp.com](mailto:huddersfield@dixonsmp.com) or [leedsbeckett@dixonsmp.com](mailto:leedsbeckett@dixonsmp.com).

Stretch Class Finals in Year 2 will take place on **Thursday 4 July 2024** where all students will present their speech to their own class using their poster or PowerPoint presentation. This will be followed by a Key Stage Final in the Lecture theatre on Thursday 11 July 2024 where the two class finalists from each class will present their speech again to their peers. Prizes are awarded for the overall winner and runners-up, and every child that takes part in the Key Stage final will receive a certificate in recognition of their efforts.

Should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher or myself.

Yours faithfully

**Mrs Whitehouse-Walker**  
**Year 3 Teacher and Stretch Lead**

