

September 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you all had a wonderful summer break! I write to welcome both you and your children to Year 2 I am sure the children will enjoy the exciting term ahead. Last week we completed activities to help the children to settle back into the school routine after the long summer break but we are now raring to go with our planned curriculum activities.

This half term our topic in Geography will be spatial sense. We will be looking at aerial maps and drawing our own maps of the school as well as identifying locations on a globe and planning a route. We will also learn about compass points.



In English we will start by looking at the story The Treasure of Pirate Frank where we will begin by using our inference skills to predict the characters and plot then will move on to look at the features of instructions and write our own for finding buried treasure! Following this, we will focus on the story The Journey Home which explores issues of conservation and starts to explore whether we can escape the issues that endangered animals face on a day-to-day basis. Here we will write posters, lists, postcards, wanted posters, information report, short stories.

In Grammar, we will be reinforcing the use of capital letters and full stops along with the use of coordinating conjunctions. We will also explore a variety of spelling patterns and rules.

Maths will include looking at place value, addition and subtraction, shape and securing number bonds to ten, twenty and beyond. We will also be practising our ten times table.



In Music we will be composing and performing a piece to illustrate a train ride with an accelerating and decelerating ostinato beat. We will also practise call and response songs as well as learning songs ready for Harvest.

In PE the children will be developing gymnastics skills including rolling as well as working on the fundamental skills of movement.



The theme for RE will be leaders and teachers where children will discuss their own experiences as well as what makes a good leader.



In Computing, we will be looking at coding and online safety. We will learn about algorithms and create our own programs.

Our topic in Art will be colour and shape where we will look at primary and secondary colours, warm and cool colours, tints and shades and sculpture. In Science, we will be looking at the human body.



We will focus on the Skeletal System, the Muscular System and exercise as well as the digestive system and healthy eating.

How you can help?

Reading

Please listen to your child read their school reading book every day in a quiet and unhurried environment. Children will benefit from a regular reading routine as this enables them to access all areas of the curriculum. Please ensure they understand the new vocabulary they encounter. It is very helpful to ask 'why?' about the events or characters in a story to support children's comprehension. As a school we are keen to nurture a love of reading and do encourage the children to read for pleasure which can be supported by library visits and sharing books at home.

Homework

Homework is set to support and consolidate learning in the classroom. This will be handed out on a Friday and will be due in the following Wednesday. Please encourage your child to complete it in pencil and hand in on time.

PE

PE is every Monday and Wednesday so please send your child to school in their PE kit and have any earrings taped over.

As Year 2 is a time to help your child prepare for the transition to junior school, we do encourage independence and self-organisation. It is helpful for children to check their book bags themselves to hand in any notes or homework, although we will remind them to help them establish this habit.

We hope this is helpful and please let us know should you have any queries or concerns.
Yours sincerely,

Mrs Wragg & Mrs Tawni