



Welcome
to Year 2

Who's who?

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Teaching Assistant: Mr Gibson

1:1 Teaching Assistant: Ms Cusimano

Thursday afternoon: Mrs Woodrow

Get in touch

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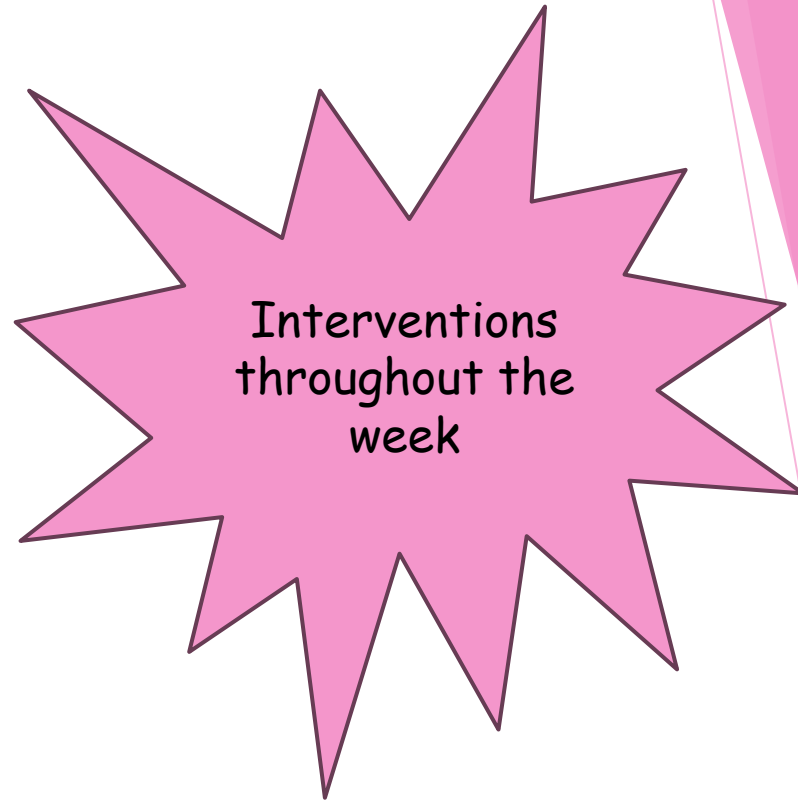
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and it will get forwarded onto me.

Alternatively, you can catch me at the end of the day.

A 'typical' day in Year 2

- ▶ School starts at 8:45am
- ▶ Morning work & fix it work
- ▶ Prayers
- ▶ Spelling / Phonics
- ▶ Mastering Number
- ▶ Maths
- ▶ Break time
- ▶ English
- ▶ Prayers
- ▶ Lunch time
- ▶ Guided Reading
- ▶ Topic / RE / Collective Worship / and an afternoon break
- ▶ PE is on Wednesday afternoons this half term. Please can children come to school in their PE kit (coloured top, shorts or trackies or leggings, trainers).
- ▶ Story time and prayers



Year 2 Timetable Autumn 1	8.45- 9.00	9:00-9:25	9:25-9:35	9:35-10:30		10:45-11:50		1:00- 1:20	1:20-2:30		2:40- 3:00	3:00- 3:30
Mon	Morning work & fix it time	Phonics / spelling	Mastery Maths	Maths	B	English	L	Guided Reading	RE	B	RE	Whole School Worship
Tue	Morning work & fix it time	Phonics / spelling	Mastery Maths	Maths	R	English	U	Guided Reading	Art	R	Art	Hand- writing
Wed	Morning work & fix it time	Phonics / spelling	Mastery Maths	Maths	E	English	N	Guided Reading	PE	E	Wednesday Word Collective Worship	RE
Thu	Morning work & fix it time	Phonics / spelling	Mastery Maths	Maths	A	English	C	Guided Reading	Science	A	PSHE / HRSE	
Fri	Morning work & fix it time	Phonics / spelling	Mastery Maths	Maths	K	English	H	Guided Reading	Music Computing	K	Celebration Assembly and whole school worship	

Catholic Ethos

- ▶ We say our prayers every morning, lunchtime and home time in class.
- ▶ 2 assemblies a week
- ▶ 1 Collective Worship in class and regular masses throughout the year in church
- ▶ Focus Gospel value each half term and a focus Catholic Social Teaching that is taught as well as our RE Curriculum
- ▶ 2 hours of RE a week

Year 2 Curriculum

I am excited for all the new learning that is going to take place in Year 2. We have a very exciting and bespoke curriculum at Alston Lane.

Each half term you will be sent a half termly overview of the subjects and topics that we will be covering in class for that half term. I will also put these on the Year 2 class page.

Physical Education

In PE we will be focusing on target games.

Music

We will be following our Kapow scheme, focusing on call and response.

PSHE:

In PSHE, we will be following our Ten Ten Resources scheme, focusing on ourselves and our body, our feelings and life cycles.

Art:

In our Art lessons, we will be making our own flags in our new textiles unit. We will be looking closely at the work of Janet Bolton.

Computing

In Computing, we will be learning about technology around us.

English

In English, we are focusing on our key text 'The Way Home for Wolf'.

We will be writing our own narratives as well as creating information posters.

Religious Education

In RE, looking closely at God's promise to Noah, God's knowledge and care, Baptism and the Holy Trinity.

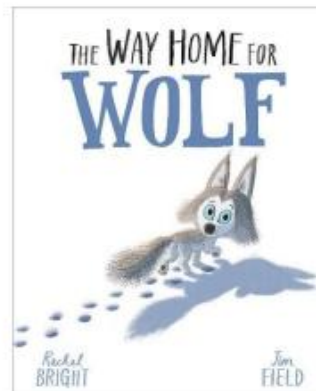
Science

In Science we will be looking at health and thinking about what we can do to stay healthy. We will also be learning about how we grow.

Mathematics

We will be learning about the place value of numbers to 100. We will compare numbers using this knowledge and count in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s. We will also begin to work on our addition and subtraction skills towards the end of the half term.

Topic Overview Year 2: **Autumn 1**



Homework - core and extra

Weekly core tasks - compulsory

- Reading (3 or more times a week)
- Maths (on [maths.co.uk](https://www.maths.co.uk) website)
- SPAG (on [spag.com](https://www.spag.com))

Your child has log ins for these new websites in the front of their diary. I will set little tasks every week (Friday) and children can log in and complete online - due for the following Friday.

This year I will also send home occasional handwriting homework to support the children in their pre-cursive handwriting which they need to use in Year 2.

You will also be sent a **pick and mix extra homework grid every half term** with 6 activities on. These activities will be linked to our current topics. The children must do a minimum of 2 of these per half term. They can bring them into school and we will celebrate them in class.

You can find these on the school website too, on the Year 2 class page.

Year 2 Termly Homework - Autumn 1

Here is the extra homework grid for this half term. You must complete at least TWO of these tasks each half term. Please do bring in anything that you do at home or email photos, videos and any work to staff@alstonlane.lancs.sch.uk

All homework brought in will be celebrated in class 😊

Task 1 - Art

Can you draw, paint or create your own flag? You could make a flag that resembles you, with all your favourite things on.

Task 2 - Science

This half term we are going to be focusing on Health in Science. Can you prepare and make a healthy meal or snack for your family? Take a photo of it to show us in class or bring in a healthy snack that you have prepared to show your friends in school!

Task 3 - RE

Can you create a piece of work to showcase the story of Noah's Ark? This could be a piece of writing or a piece of artwork.

Task 4 - Writing

We are focusing on a new book this half term, The Way Home for Wolf. Can you create your own story using Wilf as your character? He could go on a different adventure in your story.

Task 5 - PSHE

Draw a picture of yourself and around the outside, write down all the special things that make you, you!

Task 6 - Catholic Social Teaching

Make a colourful poster showing 3 ways we can take care of the world God made.

Examples could include:

- Putting rubbish in the bin
- Turning off lights
- Planting flowers or trees

Home Reading Books

- ▶ These will be given out this week with the reading records. Homework logins will be stuck into the front of your child's reading record.
- ▶ Home reading books will be changed every Monday.
- ▶ You must read with your child **at LEAST 3 times a week**. I would recommend every night if you can, perhaps before bedtime. Write in the diary every time you read as children will be added to the reading raffle every time they read 3 times a week, plus a bonus raffle ticket for any extra times they read at home
- ▶ The more your child reads the better! You can always make a note of any other books that you read at home too.
- ▶ Children will have a library book from our school library too.

Reward Systems

- ▶ School behaviour system target - Green, amber, red.
- ▶ Star jar - when we fill our jar with stars, we get a whole class treat! We are currently working towards a Pyjama and Film Treat Afternoon.
- ▶ Gold Award and Super Citizen Award
- ▶ Wonderful Writer's Award

Assessment

- ▶ Just like in Year 1, children will be assessed throughout the year, formatively and also with more structured assessments.
- ▶ 'SATS' - Children will not take part in an official 'SATS' week anymore but we will use SATS papers to help us assess the children. It will just seem like a normal assessment week for the children, however - just like in Year 1.
- ▶ Children who did not pass the Phonics Screening test will have another try this year.

Uniform

- ▶ Correct, named uniform and equipment for each day incl PE kit, on their day. In winter, long black tracksuit trousers or black leggings may be worn.
- ▶ Long hair must be tied back with plain bobbles
- ▶ No jewellery or friendship bracelets. Plain, flat backed, plastic spacers may be worn in ears.

General Information

- ▶ Snack Money - Please pay via Arbor for the term. Your child can also bring in a healthy snack for morning break.
- ▶ Please put your child's diary and book in their bag every day.
- ▶ Please do sign your child's diary whenever they read and do their homework.
- ▶ Date of Year 2 Class Worship - Monday 6th October
Dates of Parent's Evenings (online) - Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th October

Any Questions?

- ▶ If you need help with anything at all or just have a general concern or question, do not hesitate to email me:

staff@alstonlane.lancs.sch.uk

Thank you! 😊