Welcome to Year 2!

Learn Grow Achieve Together ♡

Autumn Term Newsletter

What a fantastic start to Year 2!

What a great couple of weeks the children have had settling into their new Year 2 routines. We are so proud of how well they have settled into their new classrooms, and we are really excited for the year ahead!

There is lots of exciting learning planned, and we can't wait to see the children grow in confidence, independence and resilience throughout the year.

WHO'S WHO IN YEAR 2?

2SW

Teacher:
Mrs Wright & Mrs Somerset

Teaching Assistants:
Mrs Kirk & Mrs Pickering

2T

Teacher:
Miss Thomas

Teaching Assistants:
Mrs Jenkinson & Mrs Mastin

2P

Teacher:
Miss Powell

Teaching Assistants:
Mrs Machin & Ms Horler

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Every minute of every day counts!

From the moment your child enters the classroom in the morning, they are learning. Regular attendance and arriving on time are really important to help your child make the progress they are capable of.

In Year 2, the doors open at 8:40am and home time is 3:10pm.

Please help your child to start each day ready to learn by arriving on time every day.

PE DAYS

Please make sure your child brings their PE kit into school on their PE days.

2SW:	Tuesdays & Thursdays
2T:	Mondays & Fridays
2P:	Mondays & Wednesdays

PE Kit

- White T-shirt
- Black shorts

For safety, **earrings must be removed on PE days.** If your child is unable to remove their earrings, please provide plasters for them to be covered.

WATER BOTTLES

Please remember to send your child into school with a **named water bottle every day.**

Staying hydrated helps children to feel comfortable, focused and ready to learn throughout the school day.



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Learning in Year 2

WE LOVE READING IN YEAR 2!

Our whole-school reading incentive this year is:

READ • RECOMMEND • REPEAT!

We would love children to share the stories they enjoy reading and tell us why they love them. We want to encourage children to become enthusiastic readers who enjoy discovering new books and **recommending** their favourites to others.

We have **reading lessons every day** and we also enjoy listening to stories read aloud by our teachers every day.

Reading is a vital life-skill. You can support your child's reading development by spending **just a few minutes** reading with them and to them as often as you can. Sharing books helps children develop their vocabulary, comprehension, imagination and confidence.

Read Write Inc.

If your child is in a Read Write Inc. group, please remember to return their **reading book every Thursday** so that they can receive their new **Book Bag Book.**

CLASSDOJO

We love sharing what the children have been getting up to in school, so please keep an eye on **ClassDojo** for photographs, updates and examples of our learning.

We're looking forward to a fantastic year in Year 2! ♡

GEOGRAPHY — PLANET EARTH

This half term, our Geography topic is **Planet Earth.**

- We will be learning about the seven continents and five oceans of the world.
- We will look at each continent in more detail, learning about its countries, capital cities, climate and animals.
- We will use globes and atlases to locate the continents, oceans and seas and develop our geographical knowledge and vocabulary.

MATHS — PLACE VALUE

In Maths, we will be learning about **place value to 100.**

We will do lots of practical activities to help children really understand the value of numbers. We will also be comparing numbers using the mathematical vocabulary:

greater than > less than <

equal to =

ENGLISH — WRITING & STORIES

In English, we are continuing to develop our sentence writing skills. We will focus on using:

Capital letters · Full stops · Conjunctions

We will use stories we have shared in class, including Ruby's Worry and Tilda Tries Again by Tom Percival, to inspire our own writing and retell stories in our own words.



SCIENCE — HUMANS & ANIMALS

In Science, we will be learning about **humans and other animals.**

- We will learn how animals, including humans, have offspring that grow into adults.
- We will also explore how humans and animals change as they grow and learn about the importance of basic needs such as food, water and exercise.



ART — HENRI ROUSSEAU

In Art, we will be learning about the famous artist Henri Rousseau. We will explore his colourful jungle paintings and use his work as inspiration to create our own jungle inspired tapestry.



PE & MUSIC

PE

We will be developing our fundamental movement skills, including balancing, travelling, jumping and changing direction. We will also be enjoying climbing yoga, helping us to develop body awareness, balance and relaxation.

MUSIC

We will be developing singing and playing glockenspiels as part of Year 2's Charanga musical learning. We will explore pulse, rhythm, pitch and different sounds while developing our confidence when performing together.

NUMBOTS

In Year 1, your child will have come home with a Numbots login. Please continue to access this brilliant maths recall website at home. Regular short practice helps children to develop their fluency and confidence with number facts, making it easier for them to focus on and enjoy more challenging maths problems.

Can't find your child's login?
Please let us know and we can arrange for it to be sent home again.



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