

We hope that you have all had a lovely to be your child's class teachers and are Also, we're looking forward to building you. Please do not hesitate to come you have any issues or concerns. We



summer holiday. We are really pleased excited to get to know them further. a strong home/school relationship with and find us or ring the school office if will always be more than happy to help.

Year 2 Staff

Welcome to Year 2! **Mrs Berkley (Class Teacher: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday)**

I have been teaching at Burscough Village Primary School for many years and have experience of teaching across KS1 and KS2. This will be my second year working with Mrs Settle in Year 2 and I am excited about teaching this year group again. As well as being a class teacher I also lead Science, PSHE and organise the Pupil Council.

Mrs Settle (Class Teacher: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday)

I have been a teacher at Burscough Village for the past 13 years and I have lots of experience teaching Year 2. Over the summer, Mrs Berkley and I have created a wonderful classroom setting which merges continuous provision with a more formal Y2 teaching environment. I can't wait to see the children enjoying it! Alongside my class teacher role, I also lead English and DT.

Mrs Rice (TA)

Mrs Rice has many years experience supporting children across KS1 and KS2 at Burscough Village Primary School and we are very lucky to have her as part of the team this year. She will be supporting in class, working with small groups of children and providing one-to-one support.

Miss Weston (HLTA)

Miss Weston will be covering PPA in Year 2 this year on a Wednesday morning. She will teach guided reading and PE which is her specialist subject.

Important Information for Year 2

PE Days

Year 2 pupils will have PE on Wednesday and Thursday.

Pupils should bring their full PE kit and trainers (please see school website for details) at the start of term and can leave it in their locker until the end of the half-term.

If at any point PE kits need to go home for cleaning/after-school PE club etc., please ensure that they return to school the next day.

Homework

Homework is a valuable way of enhancing your child's learning outside of the classroom as well as helping them to develop their independence and organisational skills.

Year 2 pupils will receive a half termly homework booklet which will include maths and spelling activities. Each week, the children will have a maths activity to complete which links to the learning in class. These tasks will be dated. **Please return booklets to school each Thursday so that they can be marked and sent home again on Friday.** We will also send home the spelling lists for the half term which will be dated for each weekly test. There is also a list of useful websites for additional practise in English and Maths.

Reading – Pupils should try to read as frequently as possible. Each child will have 3 books to read each week and so we will only be changing books on a Friday. If your child finishes their books, please use the time to re-read with your child. This develops fluency in reading and this skill enables children to develop strong comprehension skills. They will have a levelled reading book that links to guided reading and a levelled reading book of their own choice. Children will also bring home Monster Phonics books that link to the Year 2 spelling rules. **It is vital that these books are returned to school each week so that other children can take them home.** Please record when they have read in their reading record books, so we can keep track of how much they are doing at home. We will also record any reading the children complete in school. Badges can be earned for when the children have read 10 books.

Important Dates

Year 2 SATs 2024  May 2024 (dates to be confirmed)

Year 2 Phonics Screening Week commencing Monday 10 June 2024

(For children who did not pass the Y1 Phonics Screening Check)

Having taught the children during the transition sessions in the summer term, we know that they are ready for the next step in their education. We are really excited to get to know them further over the next year and for us to work as a team in supporting your children.

Best regards

Mrs Berkley and Mrs Settle