



Welcome to Summer 2!



We hope you all had a good holiday and managed a rest and some fun! We are so happy to welcome the children back on what will be their last half term in Year 2! We cannot believe how quickly the time has gone! Summer 2 is always a busy term and this time it is even more exciting with our upcoming residential to Gulliver's. We cannot wait!

Please can you ensure your child keeps all toys and large bags at home. They can be distracting, and we don't have the room in class to accommodate them. Large keyrings attached to book bags are becoming a problem as it means the bags cannot fit in the children's trays. Please be aware of this. If you have any questions or need any support, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher by making an appointment or sending an e-mail. Please also note that a healthy snack is provided by school for your child. If your child prefers to bring in their own, can you please ensure that this is a nut free and healthy snack so that we continue to promote healthy eating choices and support those children in school that have nut allergies.

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Year 2 information:

Your child needs to have their reading book and reading record in school every day. We are ensuring children develop a love for reading, ask questions about texts and develop their fluency and accuracy by taking part in shared reading as a class, grouped guided reading sessions and 1:1 reads. Having their reading record in school ensures we can inform you what they are doing well at and what their next steps are.

We ask children to read to an adult at home a **minimum of 5 times per week**. Although we would like the children to share their school reading book, we also encourage any reading covering a wide range of genres, this can include magazines, leaflets, etc. Please listen to your child read, ask some questions about the book then **sign their reading record**. Any child who reads 5 times and has their reading record signed, will be put into a raffle! We know how busy things are at home so your child could write the date and book in themselves and then ask you to sign it. Thank you for your continued support!

This half term, PE will remain on a Tuesday and Thursday but is still subject to change. For this reason, please ensure your child always has their full PE kit in school and that it is labelled clearly with their name. We have a lot of children not recognising their own items and if they are not labelled, we do not know who they belong to and they can be expensive to replace.

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In English, the children will begin the term with creating their own woodland animal poem based on the poem Fox by Kathy Henderson. The poem looks at using adverbs to describe movement and the children will enjoy performing their poems. We will then move on to reading an exciting story called Grandad's Secret Giant. The children will continue to develop their use of exclamation sentences, question marks, adverbs and apostrophes for contractions. The children will be working towards a final outcome of writing a narrative based on the story. They will continue to use the conjunctions 'because' and 'and', further developing into 'but' and 'when' and 'if'. We will revisit our spelling rules and encourage the children to show off these skills in their writing.



In Maths, the children will be exploring mass and volume and position and direction. We will also continue to revisit the four operations during fluency sessions. We will encourage the children to practice their 2, 5 and 10 times tables so they have a good start in Year 3 when they move on to learning new timetables.

In Science, the children will continue to investigate living things and their habitats. They will learn what a habitat is and how some animals can adapt to their surroundings.



During Geography sessions, the children will learn about map skills and fieldwork. They will study local maps and compare them to maps from other parts of the world. They will link this to their maths learning of position and direction and learn about the compass points. They will discuss landmarks and revisit human and physical features.

During PSHE the children will revisit previous topics such as friendships, developing healthy relationships and how to be a healthy me! They will also start their new topic 'Dreams and Goals' where they will learn about people and jobs, money and skills. In Music assemblies the children will continue to learn our songs linked to our new HPL values.

In Computing, the children will revisit password safety, private information and learn about positive communication through our e-Aware sessions.

During their art lessons the children will continue to work on their 3D sculpture skills and will revisit other skills they have used over the course of Year 2.

In RE, the children will consider the key question 'How do we respond to things that really matter?' through the lens of Judaism. They will explore what the Judaism faith believes are the aspects of life that really matter.