

**Welcome to  
Year 2**

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We would like you to know about ...

- The Y2 team
- Year 2 themes
- Reading
- Phonics
- Handwriting
- Mathematics
- Homework
- General information



# Meet the teaching team

- Miss Banks (Class 5)
- Mrs Preston (Class 6)
- Miss Williams (HLTA)



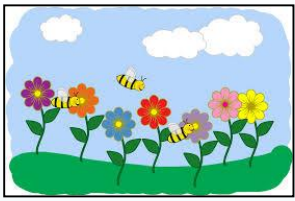
# Autumn themes

Healthy Bodies,  
Healthy Minds



Our World





# Spring themes

## We are Explorers



## Animal Kingdom



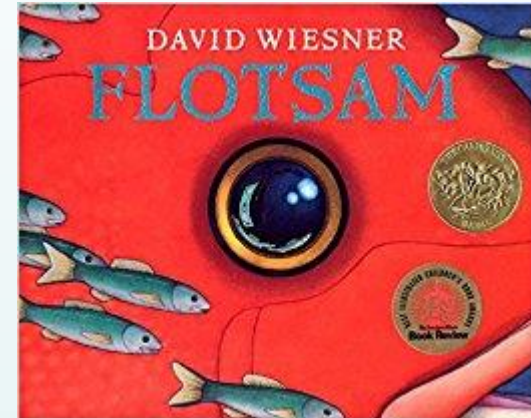
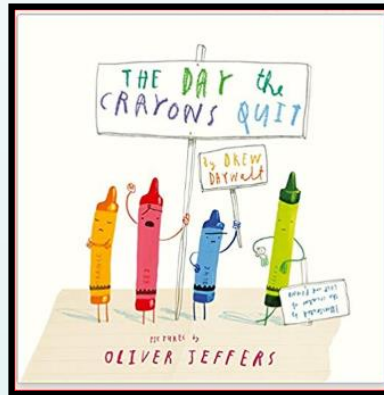




# Summer themes



We are creative!



We are eco-warriors!



# Guided Reading at St Anne's School



- Guided Reading is for teaching reading
- Children will read once a week
- Focus objective each week
- A group reading session - reading and discussion time.
- Weekly group activities –  
comprehension, pre-read, reading response or  
extending reading in the reading corner.

# Guided Reading

- The guided reading books are fiction, non-fiction and plays.
- The books are levelled so they give the children challenge, but they still need to be able to read them independently.





# Home Reading



- Home reading is time to practise
- The books are a level *below* the Guided Reading level
- *Two* books will be sent home *each week*
- We collect books on *Thursday (or earlier)* and new books to be sent home on *Friday*
- 'Reading Challenge'

*Please see 'Home Reading Information for Parents' for links between reading & Phonics, tricky words & possible questions while reading with your child.*

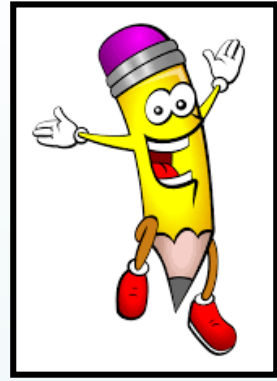
# Phonics

## Daily Phonics Lessons

- Based on government documentation: 'Letters and Sounds' and the 'No Nonsense Spelling Programme' which focuses on interacting with words through hands-on spelling activities.
- Assessed on a termly basis - blending and segmenting, application of phonics in writing.
- Phonics groups - enable children to rapidly develop the knowledge and skills that they need for reading and writing.
- Y2 Phonics screening (Autumn 2).



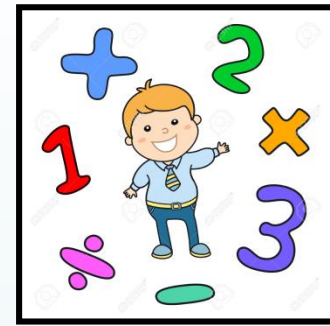
# Handwriting



We want our children to:

- take pride in the presentation of their work.
- develop a fluent, comfortable, legible handwriting style.
- form ascenders and descenders correctly.
- form and use the four basic handwriting joins.
- There will be 1 weekly handwriting session but constant modelling throughout the week.

# Maths



- A challenging curriculum.
- Confidence with numbers to at least 100.
- Times tables (2, 5, 10)
- Written and mental strategies for  $+$ ,  $\div$ ,  $-$ ,  $\times$  calculations and when to apply them in problem solving.
- Groupings *can* change from week to week.
- Practical activities
- 4 a day



- Homework is set on *Friday* to be completed by the following *Wednesday*.
- Reading (2 books per week)
- Weekly Maths & English tasks on Class Charts
- Weekly spellings (linked to Phonics)
- Spelling Shed (weekly word lists and games)





# General information

- Names on children's clothes, book bags & water bottles.
- Colouring books for wet play are welcomed
- P.E. is on Mondays and Thursday for both classes. Please come in to school dressed in PE kits, school jumpers/ cardigans & trainers. School tracksuit bottoms/ plain leggings can be worn on cold days. No jewellery please. Please can the girls have their hair tied back.

# Finally:

- Twitter @Class5CB @Class6JP
- School website for information <http://www.st-annesrc.lancs.sch.uk/>
- Key Stage 1 SATs meeting (Spring term)
- Y2 Phonics screening (Catch up from Y1) will take place in November.



# A little thought ...

Children are like flowers  
Water them with love  
Nourish them with praise  
Give them a compliment  
Each and every day  
Be their sun.

Children are like flowers  
That blossom every day  
Little pieces of us  
And everything we say.



Thank you for your time this evening.

We greatly appreciate your support in helping us to make this year happy and successful for your children.

If you have any concerns at any time, please do not hesitate to contact one of the Y2 team.

With thanks

Miss Banks, Mrs Preston and Miss Williams

