

**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
- Enrichment opportunities



Meet the teaching team

- Miss Banks (Class 5)
- Mrs Preston (Class 6)
- Mrs Walsh (HLTA in Classes 5 & 6)
- Mrs Scott (HLTA in Classes 5)

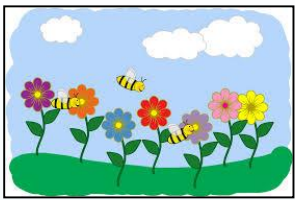


Autumn themes

Healthy Bodies,
Healthy Minds

Our World



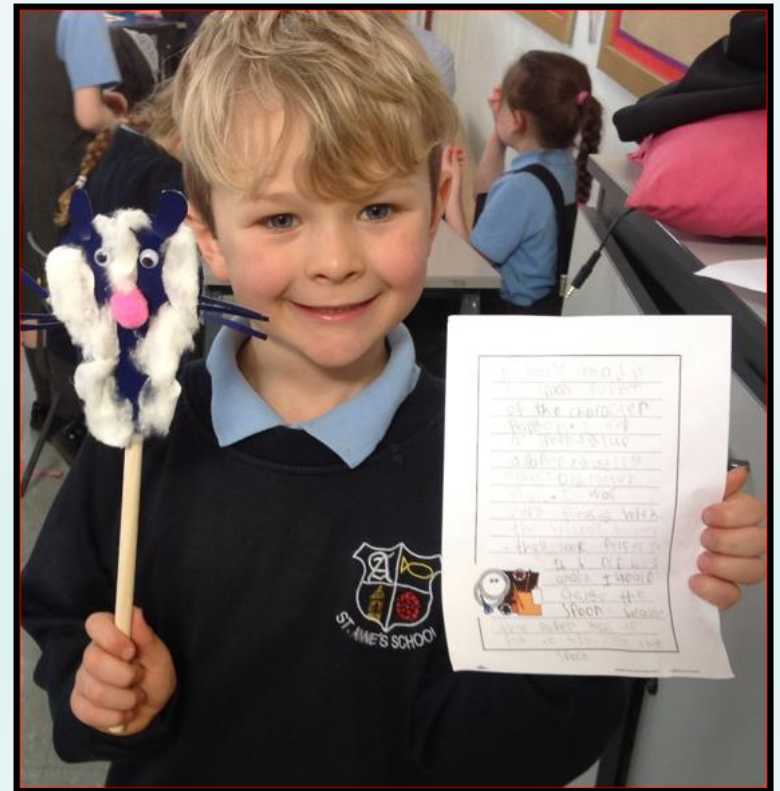


Spring themes

We are explorers



Animal Kingdom

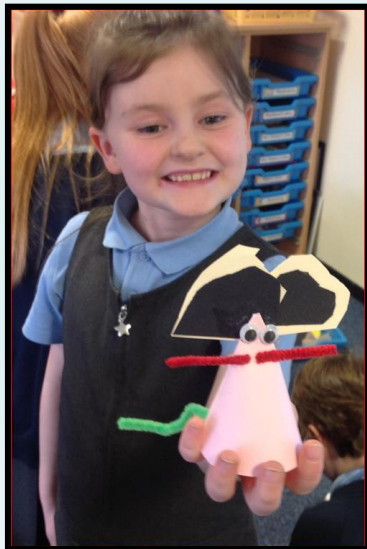




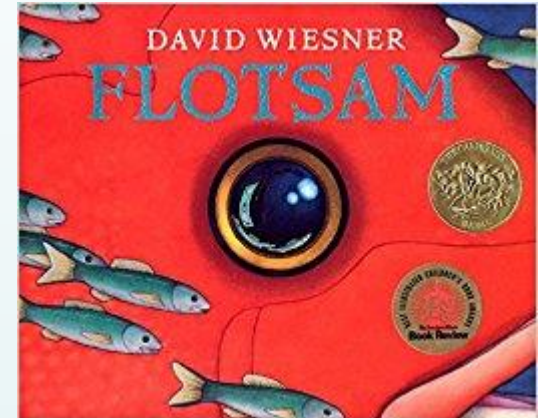
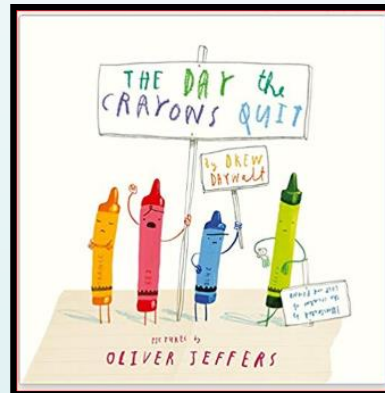
Summer themes



We are scientists!



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.

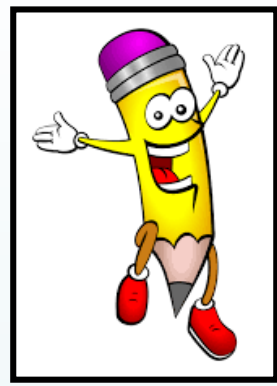
Phonics

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).



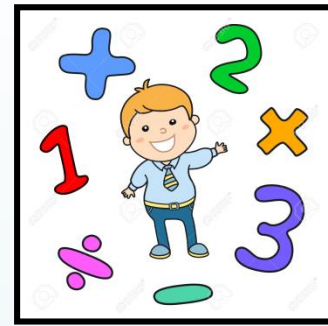
Handwriting



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.

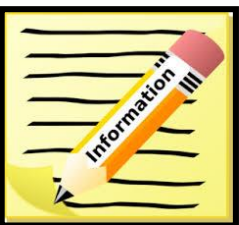
Maths



- A challenging curriculum.
- Confidence with numbers to at least 100.
- Times tables (2, 5, 10)
- Written and mental strategies for +, ÷, -, x 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)



General information

- Names on children's clothes, book bags & water bottles.
- Colouring books for wet play are welcomed
- P.E. is on Thursday for both classes. Please come in to school dressed in PE kits, school jumpers/ cardigans & trainers. Tracksuit bottoms/ plain leggings can be worn on cold days.

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 December.



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 Mrs Walsh

