



Welcome Back to School

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is with great pleasure that Miss Tallentire and I welcome you and your children to Year 2.

We have lots of wonderful things planned this year from learning about the amazing world around us in Geography to making puppets in DT.

Although, we know this year has a very different feel in comparison to previous years due to current events, we will, of course, work hard to ensure your child feels safe and secure as well as still working hard and progressing.

Mrs Hill and Miss Tallentire

RE	English
<p>In RE we will be learning about Beginnings. We will discuss new beginnings that the children have experienced and look at how God is present in every new beginning.</p> <p>We will also be exploring another faith, Judaism, in particular learning how they celebrate Shabbat.</p>	<p>We will continue our phonics study in Year 2 alongside our weekly spelling rules.</p> <p>We will start this year by reading the book Traction Man, which is a wonderful book following the everyday adventures of a very brave toy.</p> <p>We will work on our punctuation extending our use to exclamation marks and question marks, as well as ensuring our consistent use of full stops. We will also develop our description by using expanded noun phrases, i.e. the <i>blue</i> butterfly.</p>
Maths	Science
<p>We will begin the year learning about place value and consolidating knowledge from Year 1 i.e. knowing what each digit in a number represents, counting forwards and backwards within 50.</p> <p>We will continue to practise counting in steps of 2, 5 and 10 but we will introduce counting in steps of 3.</p> <p>We will also study addition and subtraction, looking at addition and subtraction facts to 20, adding a 1-digit number to a 2-digit number and subtracting a 1-digit number from a 2-digit number.</p>	<p>In Science we will be continuing our work on plants from Year 1, giving the children the opportunity to closely study plants and trees in the natural environment, taking measurements and making observational drawings. Children will observe what plants need to grow well, and watch the germination process first hand by growing cress.</p>
Geography	Creative
<p>Our topic is Why is my World So Wonderful? We will look at where we are in this wonderful world, learn about the seven continents and the five oceans, as well as looking at some the amazing places in the world.</p>	<p>We will be looking at different types of puppets in order to help us design and create a puppet this half term to compliment the story Traction Man.</p>

Homework and Home Readers

Homework sheets and Home Readers will be sent out on a Monday for the following Monday starting 14th September.

Spellings

Spellings will be sent out on a Friday to be practiced for the following Friday.

PE Days

Our PE days will be Thursday and Friday. Children can come in outdoor PE kits on these days; jogging bottoms, sweatshirts and polo shirts/t shirts. When it is not a PE day, children are expected to attend in full school uniform.

Water Bottles and Snacks

Please send your child in with a water bottle, this can be refilled throughout the day. Children are welcome to bring in snacks, however these must be healthy snacks such as fruit not crisps or sweets. Please do not send in nuts as we have allergies in the school. Thank you.

Bags

Your child is supplied with all the equipment they need for lessons in school. Please do not send school bags with your child. Our cloakroom is not in use with it being communal and therefore everything has to be stored in the class. Children only need their water bottle, snack and their packed lunch if they are not having a school dinner.