



# Year 2 Autumn Newsletter 2023



Welcome back! We are really happy to have you back in school and we are looking forward to the year ahead. We have been working hard to plan lots of interesting lessons and activities for you. Here is an overview of what will be happening this term.

We would like to introduce you to the Year 2 teaching team:

St. Anne's - Mr Birbeck

St. Edmund's - Mrs Reynolds

Support staff - Mrs Walker, Mrs Heavey, Mrs O'Connell and Mrs Sena.

## The School Day

This term you will be able to bring in a school bag which should have your reading book, reading record and a water bottle (no juice please). Remember to also bring your lunch box (if you aren't having school dinners).

Below is an outline of what we will be learning with the children in this autumn term:

Subject	Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2
English	Bubbles The Colour Monster The Twits	On Sudden Hill Flat Stanley Kevin the Carrot
Maths	Place Value Addition	Subtraction Shape
RE	New Beginnings Baptism	RSE Week Advent
Topic	Our Local Area	The Great Fire of London

**My Week at School** - Each week you will be able to view information about your child's 'Week at School'. This will be sent out via Schoolcomms. The document will inform you each week of the different learning activities the children will be doing in Year 2.

## Reading

Our expectations are for children to read a least 5 times each week. When the children have read a set amount of times they will receive a certificate and reward in Achievement Assembly. Please refer to the Reading Letter that you will receive in your child's reading folder. Children in Year 2 will change their books on a Wednesday. They will select 2 books to bring home each week. Please ensure that your child's reading books are in their book bag every day.

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## P.E days



Year 2's PE days are on a Tuesday and Friday. Please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kit on that day. As the weather can vary in the autumn term, children can wear their PE tracksuits with their shorts and house colour t-shirt underneath. Children are to wear trainers on this day. Velcro trainers are easier for the children than laces.

## Homework

English - Spelling homework can be found on Ed Shed - <https://www.edshed.com/> (There is also a Spelling Shed app).

Maths - Maths homework can be found on Maths Shed via <https://www.edshed.com/> .

RE - Please complete the Gospel page in the Reading Record each week.

CLC - One piece of CLC homework is to be completed each half term. A document with a variety of activities will be sent out each half term. CLC homework is something that should have time and care put into it. It is a nice chance to complete a project with your child as a family.

## Important dates

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September - Parent Coffee Morning

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October - Year 2 Harvest Assembly

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October - Harvest Mass

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October - Wellbeing Day - Non-Uniform

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October - Parents' Evening (St Anne's and Edmund's)

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Parents' Evening (St Anne's and Edmund's)

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October - International Day

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October - St. Ursula's Day Mass

**October Half-Term Holidays - w/c 23.10.23 - 29.10.23**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November - All Saints Mass

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November - Parent Coffee Morning

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance Day Mass

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November - Odd Socks Day

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November - Parent Coffee Morning

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December - Advent Penitential Mass

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December - Celebration Afternoon and End of Term Reports

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December - EYFS and KS1 Nativity

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December - INSET DAY

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December - INSET DAY

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We all look forward to the year ahead and encourage you to email the school office if there is anything you are not sure of.

## **A prayer for St Ursula:**

Lord,

Fill us with the spirit of courage which gave your martyr, St Ursula, strength to offer her life in faithful witness to you. May we be as loyal to the faith which she professed.

This we ask through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Kind regards,

The Year 2 Team

**Thank you for your support and we look forward to working together to help your child be the best that they can be!**