



# Year 2 Autumn Newsletter 2024



Welcome back! We are very 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 team:

St. Anne's - Mr Birbeck

St. Edmund's - Mrs Reynolds

Support staff - Mrs Doyle, Mrs Piper, Mrs Flowers, Mrs Anthony

## 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<br>The Colour Monster<br>The Twits | On Sudden Hill<br>Flat Stanley<br>Kevin the Carrot |
| Maths   | Place Value<br>Addition                    | Subtraction<br>Shape                               |
| RE      | Noah's Ark                                 | 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. Children in Year 2 will change their books on a **Friday**. They will be given 1 book from their phonics teacher. Please ensure that your child's reading books and folder are in their bags every day.

## 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 be 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/> .

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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

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September - New School Year Mass  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October - Year 2 Harvest Festival Assembly  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October - Parent Coffee Morning  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October - Flu Immunisation  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October - St Ursula's Feast Day Mass  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> & Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October - Parents Evening.  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October - International Day

## HALF TERM

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November - INSET  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November - Individual / Siblings Photos  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November - Parent Coffee Morning  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November - Odd Socks Day  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November - Advent Penitential Mass (Yr 2 & Yr 6)  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December - Pantomime  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December - Parent Coffee morning & Christmas Disco  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Jumper Day  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Concert  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December - Early finish - End of Term Reports

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!**