



Year 2
Autumn 2 Newsletter
2025 - 26

Welcome Back!

Dear Parents and Carers,
What a wonderful first half term we've had! We are extremely proud of how well the children have settled into the routines and expectations of Year 2. They have shown fantastic enthusiasm for their learning and have put great effort into everything they've been asked to do.

We're really looking forward to the coming half term and can't wait to see all the amazing work the children will produce. We will be beginning our Nativity preparations and are excited to share our hard work with all the grown-ups.

We are also thrilled to welcome Mrs Jakes, a trainee teacher, who will be with us until February 2026. She has already become a valued part of our team and is enjoying getting to know the children.

As always, please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns. You can reach us by email, through the school office, or by speaking to us at the end of the day.

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There will be no forest school this half-term.

Year 2 Topics

Autumn 1 (02.09.25 – 22.10.25)	Spring 1 (05.01.26 – 13.02.26)	Summer 1 (13.04.26 – 22.05.26)
The Place Where I Live	Explorers	Pirates, Buckets and Spades
Autumn 2 (03.11.25 – 19.12.25)	Spring 2 (23.02.26 – 27.03.26)	Summer 2 (02.06.26 – 17.07.26)
Castles and Dragons	Whiskers, Wings and Wild Things	Pirates, Buckets and Spades

Weekly Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Bring in your reading book and record in in class every day				
PE			Homework Due In	Spelling Test / New Spellings
				Homework Set

Year 2 Routines

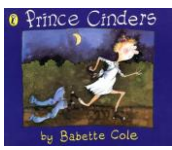
Entering / Exiting (KS1 Yard)	Cloakroom	Snacks
- Gates open at 8:35am (there is no school led supervision) - Doors open at 8:45am - Home Time is at 3:30pm (Children will be led out of the KS1 door and will be let go by the class teacher when their adult is seen) NO parents are to use the staff car park unless permission has been given, by Governors, for exceptional circumstances. 	Each child has their own peg for personal belongings, such as their coat, bag & PE kit. Playground Gates Open –8:35 a.m. The school yard is not supervised by staff before school. For everyone's safety, we kindly ask that children do not use the playground equipment during this time. If a child does use the equipment, the school cannot accept responsibility for any accidents that may occur before or after school hours.	- All children receive a free piece of fruit every morning playtime - Children are allowed to bring in a healthy snack (i.e. fruit or sugar free snack) for afternoon playtime. This should remain in their tray (not lunchbox) until eaten. - No chocolate or crisps permitted. - We cannot store yogurt in a fridge - Please note that we are a nut-free school due to the severe allergies that we have. 
Lunches	Drinks	Reading
- All children in EYFS and KS1 are entitled to a free school dinner. - If your child brings in a healthy packed lunch, this will be placed in the Year 2 cloakroom until lunchtime. 	Children should bring water in a clearly identifiable water bottle each day which will be kept in class. They will be able to refill if necessary, during the day.	- Each child is expected to bring their reading book and reading record into school everyday and put these in their tray. - We ask parents to sign the reading record books, when children have read at home. - There is no longer a set day to change books. Once your child has read a book, they can bring it into school change it before morning registration.
Homework - Homework and spellings will be set every Friday and due in the following Thursday. - Homework books must be in school by each Thursday so that new homework and spellings can be stuck in and sent out on Friday.	KS1 children are provided with milk from Cool Milk in the afternoon. If you would like your child to have milk, please visit the Cool Milk website where you will find information about registration and payment details. 	



Key Events for Autumn 2: 03.11.25 – 19.12.25



Anti-bullying week	Odd Socks Day	Non-Uniform Day	Whole School Surprise
Monday 10th November – Friday 14th November A week dedicated to promoting kindness, respect and standing up against bullying.	Monday 10th November Children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique.	Friday 14th November Children can come to school in their own clothes in exchange for a Christmas Hamper donation.	Friday 28th November A special treat for the whole school – shh, it's a surprise!
Christmas Pop-Up Shop	Nativity performance	Christmas Craft Sharing	Christmas Dinner & Party Day
Monday 3rd December Children can buy small, affordable gifts for family and friends.	Wednesday 10th December The event of the season! The children are so excited to share their Nativity with you. Details to follow.	Friday 12th December A festive parent event where families join their children to make Christmas crafts.	Thursday 18th December A joyful day of Christmas lunch, music, and celebrations to end the term.

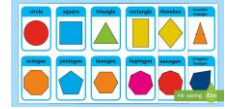


Our Learning this half term



Our topic for the first half term is 'Castles and Dragons'. Throughout this half term, we will be focussing on:

English: The first English unit of the half-term is traditional tales with a twist based on the book 'Prince Cinders'. The children will be writing their own story with a twist based on their learning throughout this unit. Our second unit will be instruction writing based on the text 'How to catch a dragon'.



Maths: Addition and Subtraction & Shape.

Science: Animals including humans – Children will understand different life cycles of animals including frogs and chickens. They will also start to learn about the importance of having a healthy diet.

History: Castles – Children will learn about the history of St. George and will discover who used to live in castles and what the different parts of a castle were used for.



Computing: Information technology around us.

RE: Christianity – Children will be learning about the birth of Jesus and why he is so important to Christians.

PSHE: Relationships – We will start to understand what bullying is and how our body language can express our emotions.

PE: Dance – Children will be learning a dance related to the gunpowder plot.



PE

All children **MUST** have their PE Kit in a draw string bag that is kept in school on their peg. It will be sent home to be washed and size checked each half term.

P.E. Kit

white round neck t-shirt

black shorts

black pumps (indoor)

plain black trainers (outdoor) - these may be brought in each week

plain black tracksuit bottoms / leggings (outdoor)

* **plain black** tracksuit top (outdoor)

drawstring pump bag

* = optional

Note - watches and earrings must be **removed** for PE and long hair must be tied back.

We could be **indoors** or **outdoors**, depending on the weather.



This half term, our PE day is **Monday**



There will be **NO** forest school sessions this half-term.

School Uniform



Forest School Y1 – Y6

Girls

- school logo bottle green sweatshirt or cardigan
- white polo shirt
- green checked skirt / pinafore or plain black skirt / pinafore
- * black trousers
- white or black socks / black tights
- black school shoes
- * bottle green and white checked dress for summer

Boys

- school logo bottle green sweatshirt
- white polo shirt
- black school trousers
- white or black socks
- black school shoes
- * black school shorts for summer

P.E. Kit

- white round neck t-shirt
- black shorts
- black pumps (indoor)
- * plain black trainers (outdoor)
- drawstring pump bag

- plain black tracksuit bottoms/leggings
- plain black long sleeved quick dry logo top **new
(* short sleeved in summer)
- waterproof coat
- * waterproof suit or trousers
- boots / wellies
- spare socks
- hat and gloves / cap
(weather dependant)

Extras

- * bottle green school book bag
- * bottle green school logo coat
- * bottle green school logo fleece
- * named water bottle
- * green small logo ruck sack

NO jeans

NO trainers or boots

NO jewellery, make-up or nail varnish

NO extreme hair cuts - long hair must be tied back
(watch and plain stud earrings only)

* = optional