



Year 2
Spring 1 Newsletter
2025 - 26

Welcome!

Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome back to school, and a Happy New Year to all our Year 2 families.

The children have settled back into their routines wonderfully after the Christmas break and it has been lovely to see them so enthusiastic and ready to learn. We have lots of exciting learning planned for the term ahead and can't wait to get started.

Please note that we will now be having a times table test every Friday as well as the spelling test. For more information about this and other homework expectations, please read the routines page of the newsletter.

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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Year 2 Topics

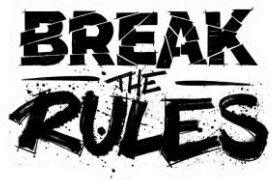
Autumn 1 (02.09.25 – 22.10.25)	Spring 1 (05.01.26 – 13.02.26)	Summer 1 (13.04.26 – 22.05.26)
The Place Where I Live	Explorers	Pirates, Buckets and Spades
Autumn 2 (03.11.25 – 19.12.25)	Spring 2 (23.02.26 – 27.03.26)	Summer 2 (02.06.26 – 17.07.26)
Castles and Dragons	Whiskers, Wings and Wild Things	Pirates,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

Year 2 Routines

Entering / Exiting (KS1 Yard)	Cloakroom	Snacks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each child has their own peg for personal belongings, such as their coat, bag & PE kit. <p style="text-align: center;">Playground</p> <p>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.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 
Homework	Drinks	Reading
<p>We are introducing a weekly times table test on a Friday, alongside the current spelling test. Children have already had the opportunity to practise using Times Table Rock Stars in school, and we will continue to practise in class using a range of fun activities such as songs and games; however, practising at home will really help to build confidence and fluency. Children should practise using Times Table Rock Stars and a copy of their username and password will be stuck into their homework book. By the end of Year 2, children are expected to know the 2, 5 and 10 times tables, as well as the related division facts. Once a child answers enough questions correctly, they will move on to the next set of times tables and this will be communicated in their homework book.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. EYFS and 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. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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.



Key Events for Spring 1: 05.01.26 – 13.02.26



PTFA: Break the Rules Day Friday 16th January Children can donate money to 'break' specific school rules, such as wearing non-uniform, having crazy hair, or enjoying treats like juice instead of water	Fire Service Talk Tuesday 20th January The local fire and rescue service will be coming into school to talk to the children about keeping safe in the event of a fire.	Wonderdome Space Theatre Monday 26th January Children will take part in an immersive space experience in school. They will walk inside the Wonderdome and be transported to 1969 when Neil Armstrong stepped on the moon!	Children's Mental Health Week Monday 9th February Children will take part in activities that help them understand themselves better and learn how self-awareness can build resilience and support their wellbeing.
Children Mental Health in a Digital Age Monday 9th February Children and parents can attend a joint session led by the Mental Health Team, focusing on how digital technology can affect wellbeing and how to stay mentally healthy online.	Safer Internet Day Tuesday 10th February Children will explore the theme ' Smart tech, safe choices ', learning how to use the internet and AI safely, responsibly, and respectfully.	Children's First Aid Sessions Thursday 12th February Children will learn basic first aid skills, including how to respond safely in an emergency and help others when needed.	PTFA: Film Night Thursday 12th February The school will transform into a cinema where children can enjoy a surprise movie along with snacks in a fun and relaxed setting.

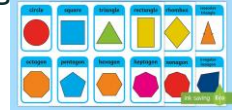


Our Learning this half term

Our topic for this half term is 'Explorers'. Throughout this half term, we will be focussing on:

English: We will be reading *Bob, the Man on the Moon* and writing a simple chronological report about Neil Armstrong.

Maths: Children will be learning about shape and developing their multiplication and division skills.



Science: We will explore living things and their habitats, learning how plants and animals are suited to where they live.

History: Children will learn about the Moon landing and why it was an important historical event.

Computing: We will practise creating simple robot algorithms using Beebots.

RE: Children will be learning about Hinduism and some of its key beliefs and celebrations.

PSHE: We will be learning about keeping healthy, including food, exercise and wellbeing.

Art: Children will explore space-themed art through monoprinting techniques.



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 **Wednesday**

There will be no forest school 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