



Year 2
Newsletter Autumn 2
2024/25

Welcome Back!

Welcome back after the half term break, we hope you had a restful week. The children have settled back in quickly and are working hard. It is going to be a very busy half term, especially with our Nativity performance which are looking forward to immensely.

This newsletter will outline our learning for this term, the routines that we will have and the topics for the remainder of the year. However, more detail about each subject can be found on our website. We've also included a timetable to help as there are lots of things for you to remember too!

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

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or queries. You can do this via email, through the school office or in person at the end of the day.

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Year 2 Topics

Autumn 1 (03.09.24 – 17.10.24)	Spring 1 (06.01.25 – 14.02.25)	Summer 1 (22.04.25 – 23.05.25)
The place where I live	Explorers	Pirates, buckets and spades
Autumn 2 (28.10.24 – 20.12.24)	Spring 2 (24.02.25 – 04.04.25)	Summer 2 (03.06.25 – 18.07.25)
Castles and dragons	The world	Pirates, buckets and spades



Weekly Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Bring in your reading book and record in in class every day				
			Homework Due In	Spelling Test/New Spellings
PE				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• Gates open at 3:20pm• Home Time is at 3:30pm (Children must tell their teacher who they are leaving with)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Each child has their own peg for personal belongings, such as their coat, bag, PE kit & Forest School Kit (on set day).	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Children are allowed to bring in a healthy snack (i.e. fruit or cereal bar) for morning / afternoon play. This should remain in their tray (not lunchbox) until eaten.• No chocolate or crisps permitted.• Foods which need to be refrigerated such as yoghurt and cheese are not permitted.• Please note that we are a nut-free school due to the severe allergies that we have.
Packed Lunch	Reading	Homework
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• If your child brings in a healthy packed lunch, this will be placed in the Year 2 area in the cloak room. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Each child is expected to bring their reading book and reading record into school everyday and have these on their desk.• We ask parents to sign the reading record books, when children have read at home.• Our Year 2 target is for each child to read for at least five minutes a day.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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 on Friday. 

Our Learning this half term

Our topic for the first half term is 'The place where I live'. Throughout this half term, we will be focussing on:



English: Our focus is going to be on the book 'How to catch a dragon'. Children will come into class to find a real-life dragon egg, they will then look at instructions and their features. Finally, they will write their own instructions about catching another creature of their choice. We will then move on to traditional tales with a twist where the children will explore mixed-up fairytales and ultimately write their own version.

Maths: Addition and subtraction, Shape.

Science: Animals including humans.

History: Castles and Dragons

Art: Making sock puppets.

PE: Fundamental skills.

RE: Christianity – Why is Jesus special to Christians?

PSHE – Keeping safe.



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

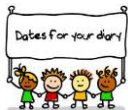
* = optional

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**.



Key Events for Autumn 2: 28.10.24 - 20.12.24

Anti-bullying Week	Skipton Castle Trip	Non-uniform day	Nativity
<p>w.b. Monday 11th November</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A week full of learning and understanding on the national theme of “Choose Respect”Monday 11th - Odd Socks Day: Wear odd socks to school to celebrate individuality. 	<p>Wednesday 13th November</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Trip to Skipton castle, please see trip letter for details. 	<p>Friday 15th November</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Children can come in non-uniform in return for carrying items in each hand for our PTFA Christmas hampers. 	<p>Wednesday 11th December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Your child should already have their parts. Thank you for your support when helping your child practise their lines.
School Christmas Dinner	Christmas Party Day	End of term	
<p>Wednesday 18th December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">All children will join in with this wonderful feast prepared by Jayne. 	<p>Wednesday 18th December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Children can come in their party clothes! They will enjoy games and win prizes in the afternoon.All children MUST bring a coat.	<p>Friday 20th December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">We finish school for our Christmas holiday.We will return on Monday 6th January 2025. 	