



Year 2
Welcome Letter
2024 - 25

Welcome!

Welcome to Year 2! The children have made an excellent start to the year with everyone working really hard after the summer break. They have quickly settled back into the school routines and have loved being back with all their friends.

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!

It is wonderful having Mr Jenkins with us this half term until Miss Lambert returns from her maternity leave.

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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Forest School Dates are on
the Forest School page

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

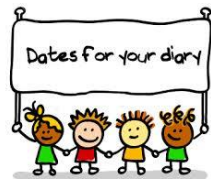
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Bring in your reading book and record in in class every day				
			Homework Due In	
			Spelling Test / New Spellings	
				Homework Set
		PE		Forest School



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. 



Key Events for Autumn 1: 03.09.24 - 17.10.24

Roald Dahl Day	Cauliflower Cards - Out	Individual Photos
Friday 13th September <ul style="list-style-type: none">Children can come to school dressed as their favourite Roald Dahl character and bring in their favourite book.	Wednesday 18th September <ul style="list-style-type: none">It's that time again! We will create our designs for Christmas Cards and send these out to you.	Wednesday 25th September <ul style="list-style-type: none">All children will have their individual photo taken.
Non-Uniform Day	Macmillan Coffee Morning	Cauliflower Cards - Returned
Thursday 26th September <ul style="list-style-type: none">Children can come to school in their own clothes. All we ask is for a donation of cakes / biscuits for our Macmillan Coffee Morning.	Friday 27th September <ul style="list-style-type: none">Please join our coffee morning for delicious treats! All proceeds are donated to Macmillan Cancer Support.	Friday 27th September <ul style="list-style-type: none">If you would like to place an order with Cauliflower Cards, please have forms returned by this date.

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 'The Jolly Postman'. We will begin by exploring the exciting characters that are delivered letters from the 'Jolly Postman' such as 'The Three Bears' and 'Cinderella'. Then move on to create our own characters to innovate the narrative.

Maths: Place Value

Science: Animals including humans – what are the basic needs of animals?

Geography: Local Fieldwork: Our World and Our Street – creating a map of Trawden

Art: Draw and explore (artist: Lowry) – Using the world and nature to inspire our art.

PE: Dance

RE: Christianity – Why is Jesus special to Christians?

Forest School: Making shelters and knot tying.

PSHE – Feelings



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**.

Forest School



When it is our Forest School day, children will come to school in their “**Essential Forest School Kit**”.



On colder days children can also wear their own school jumper or cardigan if they wish (weather dependant).

On our Forest School days, children should bring their outdoor footwear – wellies/boots and waterproofs in a bag to change into.

Forest School Dates this half term:
Friday 13th, 20th, 27th September and
4th, 11th October

Essential Forest School Kit – all children **MUST** bring the correct kit on their allocated day.

- plain black full legged tracksuit bottoms or leggings (no logos or stripes),
- plain black long sleeved quick dry logo top **new (* short sleeved in summer)
- waterproof coat
- * waterproof suit or trousers
- School shoes / **black** trainers (to wear inside school)
- boots / wellies
- spare socks
- hat and gloves / cap (weather dependant)

School Uniform



Forest School – years 1-6

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