

Welcome to Year 2



September 2022

Classes 2BK and 2M

Dear Parents,

First, we would like to say a big welcome back and hope that everyone has had an enjoyable summer break. It has been lovely to see happy smiley children. We have been impressed at how well they have settled into their new classes and routines.

Routines

Children should bring reading wallets, spelling books and water bottles into class.

Reading books

Please encourage your child to read a little every night; recording in the reading diary which pages your child has read. It is good to discuss the content/story with your child to ensure they fully comprehend. Also talk about any new vocabulary. The children will be bringing home two books for the week. We recommend that children read their book several times to develop word recognition, fluency and comprehension.



Reading books are changed once a week on Tuesday. Could we please ask that reading records are signed so that we know they have been read and need to be changed.

Homework - The children will have spellings, reading and a maths activity to do each week.

Spelling:

All children will bring home spellings to practise. These are based on the spelling patterns that are taught in class. Please practise these words with your children. Children are to copy the list three times over the week. It is important that they don't do it all in one go, as practice makes permanent. Underneath the lists the children are expected to write two sentences that incorporate the spellings from their list. Can we encourage the children to use the correct punctuation and try to add interesting detail.



The spellings will be sent home on a Friday for the children to practise throughout the following week. A sheet will be stuck in their spelling book explaining the different activities. Spelling books are to be returned on the following Friday, in their reading folder.

Maths:

Maths homework will be given on a Friday. The children should try and do this as independently as possible as it is based on work covered throughout the week. Homework is to be handed in by the following Wednesday. The children could also complete the maths activity found on the White Rose maths 1-minute maths app. It is free and helps children build greater number confidence and fluency.

The wider curriculum

Please see our curriculum letter for Year 2 to see what your child will be learning about in our wider curriculum.



P.E

P.E for all Year 2 will be on Wednesday and Friday. **All children to please come to school in P.E kits on those days**, instead of school uniform.

All children will need all of their P.E kit named including; dark trainers, white t-shirt, school sweatshirt and black shorts for PE. As the weather becomes colder, children may prefer to wear black leggings/jogging trousers.

Other equipment

It is useful if the children have a named art shirt for the more “messy” activities. This can be kept on their peg.



Waterbottle – it is essential that the children are hydrated. The bottle is to be kept in the classroom.

Coats - It is always good for the children to have a coat – even a lightweight one in summer as we know the weather can be changeable and the children will still go outside for breaks when it is raining.



Learning Resources:

You can find a range of resources on the school website to help support your child with their learning. These are for you to refer to as and when needed. It includes useful information on how we do letter formation and joins, number formation and key spellings that Year 2 children should know. We have also included a list of useful websites that your child can access.

Thank you for all your co-operation and support. Any concerns, no matter how small, please come and speak to us.

The Year 2 Team