

Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter: Autumn 1

Message from Teachers

Hello Parents! Your children have made a great start in Year Two and we have been extremely impressed by their attitude, determination and how quickly they have settled in to a new year group. We cannot wait to see what they will achieve throughout their time in Year 2!

Key Dates:

Attending Parish Mass: Friday 27th September

Curriculum Cafe: Tuesday 8th October

Tempest Photography: Wednesday 9th October

World Mental Health Day: Thursday 10th October

Inset Day: Friday 25th October

October Half Term: W.B. Monday 28th October

Key Information

P.E. – Your child's P.E. lessons are currently on a Thursday and Friday so can you please ensure your child wears their PE kit for school both days. Many of the lessons take place in the Junior School could we please ask that they have trainers and joggers for walking between the schools as the weather turns colder? Thank you. Also, could you please make sure that their name is written/attached to all of their clothing.

Reading day - Could you please send your child's reading book and reading record book in to school on their designated reading day which is written on the front cover of their reading record book. Please try to read with your child as much as you possibly can and record this in their record book.

Water bottles – Please send your child's **water bottle** into school every day. **Water only please.**

Homework - The children will bring their homework home each Friday. This is to be completed and then returned to school each Wednesday.



Our Learning in Year Two

Maths: This half term we will begin by recapping some of the Year 1 objectives for **Place Value** before moving onto the Year 2 curriculum. Your child will learn to: count forwards and backwards, recognise the value of tens and units in a two-digit number up to 100, represent numbers using practical equipment and pictorial representations and compare and order numbers to 100. Our next unit in maths will be **addition and subtraction**.

English: This half term we will be learning the story of 'Little Red Riding Hood'; the activities will focus on the four main sentence types and the correct use of nouns and adjectives. Our Non-Fiction unit will involve discussion around the question, 'Should Little Red Riding Hood have listened to her mam?' After half term, we will then move onto a poetry unit, where we will write our own acrostic poems.



Other Curriculum Areas

Phonics: During phonics this half term, we will focus on the different spellings for the sounds /ae/, /d/ and /ee/. We will also recap some of the Year 1 spellings. Homework spellings will be based upon words containing the focus sounds.

History: In History we will be learning all about when, how and why The Great Fire of London happened.

Science: Our first Science topic of the year is all about materials and their properties. We will learn about natural and manmade materials and why some materials are more suitable than others for certain purposes.

P.E: The P.E. this half term will focus on Multiskills and health related fitness.

Music: This half term in Music, we will be learning about 'Time Signatures', thinking about the beat in key songs.

R.E/Personal Development: This half term in R.E. our topic is 'Beginnings'. We will begin by learning the story of Creation.

In Personal Development, we will be using Ten Ten and will cover the topics of 'Religious Understanding' and 'Emotional Well-being'.

Art: We will be completing a drawing unit in Art focusing on 2D and 3D sketches before moving onto Still Life drawing.

Computing: Our topic is 'Algorithms' and we will learn how to write clear, precise instructions for everyday tasks.

