

# Welcome to Advent Term, Year Two!



Our team:

Mrs Kaur, Miss Whitaker,  
Miss Dales, Mrs McCulloch, Miss Junaid, Mr  
McLaughlin, Mrs Rowntree and Miss Morris

## Collective Worship and Celebration Assembly

Collective Worship, Celebration Assemblies and Masses will continue to take place in school.

Children will take part in Liturgical Prayer on Monday.  
On Fridays, there will be a Celebration Assembly and these will take place every fortnight.



## English

In Year 2, children will be having daily Phonics and English sessions. Additionally, there will be regular handwriting sessions.

### Key texts

- Horrah for Mary Seacole
- Toby and the Great Fire of London
- Vlad and the Great Fire of London

## RE

Our RE topics from the 'Come and See' scheme will be:

- Beginnings
- Signs and Symbols
- Judaism
- Preparations



## How can you help your child at home?

1. Independence – encourage your child to empty their bag every day and hand you letters, their Homework Diary, containing messages, or any other information.
2. Check your child has brought their Homework Diary home every day and see if they have homework to do.
3. Listen to your child read every day, discuss their reading and make a note in their Homework Diary.
4. Embed our school mission statement by talking to them about the Mission Merits they achieve.

## Curriculum

**History:** Nurturing Nurses, The Great Fire of London

**Science:** Animals Including Humans, Materials and Use

**Art:** Drawing: bird art

**Design & Technology:** Mechanical: making fire engines

**Computing:** Computer systems and networks

**PSHE:** Health and Wellbeing: Mental Health, Relationships

**PE:** Fundamentals and Gymnastics



## Maths

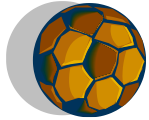
In Maths this term we will be doing:

- Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Shape

During the week we will also be practising times tables. The times tables for Year 2 are 10s, 2s and 5s.

## PE

PE sessions are on a Tuesday and Friday. Ensure your child comes dressed in their PE kit to school. As well as the normal white polo shirt, black or blue shorts and plimsolls, your child will also need a navy blue tracksuit as some PE will be outdoors. No jewellery should be worn during PE lessons, including earrings which must be removed or taped over for PE days.



**Please ensure all items of your child's PE kit and school uniform are clearly named.**

## Homework

- We will be sending homework out each week on a Wednesday. This will be checked on the following Wednesday.
- Homework will include: spellings, a maths activity and a knowledge organiser task linked to the topic work.
- We will be testing the children on their spellings on Wednesdays.
- Children should be reading at home **EVERY** day and be making a note in their organiser.

## Uniform

It is essential that EVERY uniform item is clearly **labelled** as it wastes a lot of valuable learning time identifying lost items. As our cloakrooms are very crowded, especially in the winter months, we struggle to fit everybody's bags in. Please send your child in with an appropriately sized bag, just big enough to fit their reading folder and a water bottle.



## Music

This year, children will continue to have their weekly music session with Mr Fox. The children will be exploring rhythm and notation and rap!

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