

# Welcome to back to Lent Term Year 2!



Our team:

Mrs Kaur, Mrs Cordes, Mrs Ryan,  
Mrs Woodward, Mrs Smart and Mrs McCulloch

## English

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

## Key texts

- Even my ears are smiling – Michael Rosen
- The Tale of Peter Rabbit – Beatrix Potter
- Charlotte's Web – E.B. White

## Collective Worship and Celebration Assembly

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

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

## RE

Our RE topics for this term are:

### Galilee to Jerusalem

*What do we learn about our relationship with God from Jesus' journey from Galilee to Jerusalem?*

### Desert to Garden

*Does forgiveness make the world a better place?*



## How can you help your child at home?

1. Independence – encourage your child to empty their bag every day and hand you letters, their organiser, containing messages, or any other information.
2. Check your child has brought their organiser 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 organiser.
4. Embed our school mission statement by talking to them about the Mission Merits they achieve.

## Curriculum

**Geography:** Nottingham to Poovar, Food and Farming

**Science:** Feeding and Exercise, Living Things and Habitats

**Art:** Collage & Sculpture: Building Animal Habitats

**Design & Technology:** Cooking and Nutrition: Healthy sandwich

**Computing:** Computing system and networks, Programming and Scratch junior

**PSHE:** Health and Wellbeing: Keeping Safe, Relationships: Consent

**PE:** Dance and Sending and receiving Skills, Fitness and Team building



## Maths

In Maths this term we will be doing:

- Shape
- Measurement: Money
- Multiplication and Division
- Length and Height
- Mass, Capacity and temperature

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

## PE

PE sessions continue to be 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.**

## 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 **NAMED** water bottle.



## Music

Children will continue to have their weekly music session with Mr Fox where they will learn key skills including identifying the rhythm and improvising in music.

Keep up to date with calendar events and newsletters visit: [www.goodshepherd.notts.sch.uk](http://www.goodshepherd.notts.sch.uk)  
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## Behaviour Curriculum

The children in Year 2 have continued to follow The Good Shepherd way and implemented the behaviour curriculum so far this year. The key phrases we use to support them to remember are: 'We Dress to Impress', 'We use Fantastic Walking' around school, We speak up, 'Loud and Proud' and SLANT – sit up, listen, ask and answer questions, nod your head and track the speaker. Well done Year 2!

## Homework

- Homework is an essential way to revisit learning so we will continue to send homework out each week on a Friday. This will be checked on the following Friday
- No homework will be given out over a holiday, just reading and times tables practise will need to continue.
- We will be testing the children on their phonics words on Fridays.
- Children will be reminded to ensure presentation and handwriting is carried out to their best ability.
- Homework will include: Phonics key words, a maths activity and a knowledge organiser task linked to the topic work.
  - Children should be reading at home **EVERY** day and be making a note in their organiser.