



ADVENT 2026

Year 2 Class Newsletter

Welcome to Year 2! We are really pleased with how quickly the children are settling in and we look forward to a great year ahead with you all.

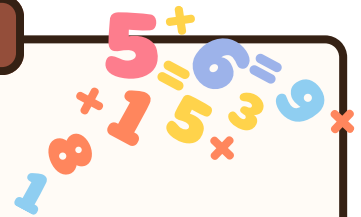
Our team

Your year 2 team is: Mrs Kaur, Mrs Cordes, Mrs Kitching, Mrs Woodward, Mrs McCulloch, Mr Fox and Mr Connolly.

Mathematics

In Maths this term we will be doing:

- Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Shape



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



English

In Year 2, children will be having daily Phonics and English sessions. Additionally, there will be regular handwriting sessions, where children will be encouraged to use a pre joined style of writing. Our key texts are:

- The Hodgeheg by Dick King Smith
- The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark by Jill Tomlinson
- Hoorah for Mary Seacole
- Toby and the Great Fire of London
- Vlad and the Great Fire of London.

PE



in PE this term, Year 2 will be doing PE: Fundamentals and Gymnastics.

PE sessions are on a **Tuesday and Wednesday**. Ensure your child comes dressed in their PE kit to school on those days. As well as the 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.

Diary dates



- Tuesday 15 September 3.30-4.15pm, Meet the teacher in the classrooms.
- Friday 18 September: After School Foam Party: Tickets on Arbor /school shop.

Our Curriculum

History: Nurturing Nurses, The Great Fire of London

Science: Animals Including Humans, Materials and Uses

Art: Drawing: Winged Animals

Design & Technology: Mechanical: making fire engines

Computing: Computer systems and networks

PSHE: Health and Wellbeing: Mental Health, Relationships

Music: Children will continue to have their weekly music session with Mr Fox. They will be exploring rhythm and notation and rap!



Reminders

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.

Children will take part in Collective Worship on Mondays. Every other Friday, there will be a Celebration Assembly for KS1 children – if your child is being given an award you will receive and email via the school office.

Homework

We will be sending homework out each week on a Friday. This will be checked on the following Friday.

For the first few weeks of the year, we will be focusing on **reading, spellings and times tables**.

Usual homework will begin in October and will include: **spellings, a maths activity and a knowledge organiser task linked to the topic work**.

No homework will be given out over a holiday, we just ask that reading and times tables practise continues.

We will be testing the children on their phonics words on Fridays.

Children should be reading at home EVERY day and be making a note in their organiser.



How can you help your child at home?

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

RE

Our RE topics from the 'R.E.D' scheme will be:

- **Creation and Covenant** – Why do we care for the world?
- **Prophecy and Promise** – How do we prepare for Jesus' birth?



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