



Dear Parents/Carers,

## Welcome to Year 2!

We're delighted to begin this exciting new chapter with you and your child. Year 2 is a time of wonderful growth, learning, and discovery, and we're looking forward to sharing this journey together.









This letter outlines some key information about what your child will be learning in class. You can also find more detailed curriculum updates and news on our school website.

## Getting Ready for School



To help your child have a great start each day, please make sure they come to school:

- Wearing their full school uniform
- Bringing their book bag and a water bottle
- Feeling ready and eager to learn!

## Our Learning:

	English Writing	In writing this half term we will start by consolidating what we learnt in year one by revisiting capital letters, full stop and finger spaces. We will then move on to our first unit poetry where we will write about a special day and will share this with you on Dojo. We will also be writing instructions based on the book 'the disgusting sandwich' and creating a disgusting cookbook. Finally, we will then read 'Lubna and Pebble' and create our own narrative based on familiar fairytales.
	Maths	In maths, we are learning about the place value of numbers to 100. We will be using manipulatives to help give the learning meaning. We will also be focusing on number bonds in arithmetic.
	Science	In science this half term we will be learning about plants including looking at the anatomy of seeds and bulbs, what plants need to grow and germination.
	Geography	In geography, we will be learning about compass directions, scale and proportion. We will conduct a fieldwork study in Debdale Park based on human and physical features.
	Art	In art this term, we will be looking at textures and patterns around our school and learning to find inspiration in the things around us, taking inspiration from British artists <i>The Boyle Family</i> . Using iPads to photograph them and recreating them using the skill of printing.
	RE	In RE this term, we will be learning about religion in our local community is. We will be looking for evidence of lived religion in Abbey Hey. We will focus on the religions Christianity, Islam, Hinduism and Sikhism.
	PE	In PE this term, the children will focus on team building skills by engaging in outdoor adventure activities. This is to teach children how to communicate during sport and develop their problem-solving skills.
	Music	In Music the children will be learning about patterns in music and exploring how music can help us make friends. We will focus on singing and dancing, finding the tempo and beat and introducing musical instruments.



 Computing	In computing, the children will be learning about computing systems and IT around us including networks
 PSHE	In PSHE, we are learning to compare growth and fixed mindsets and exploring ways that we can develop a growth mindset.

## PE

Below is the day your child will take part in PE.

On this day your child must wear their PE kits to school.

Squirrel Class-Tuesday

Badger Class – Tuesday

Hedgehog Class– Tuesday

## Homework

Each week your child will be expected to complete a range of different homework tasks to help support their learning in school. All homework will be found on our school website under the Year 1 page.

Reading	Please support your child at home in ensuring that they are reading each day independently and to you. They must also have opportunities to listen to an adult read to them. Once you have read with your child, please add a comment to your child's digital reading record. <a href="https://www.learningwithparent.co.uk">Learningwithparent.co.uk</a>
myON	Each week children are expected to log on to myON and read at home. The child who completes the most amount of reading each week will be awarded with a certificate.
Phonics	Phonics videos will also be shared on Class Dojo weekly. Please practise phonics every day as we get the children ready for the phonics screening.

In class we would love to celebrate the amazing homework children do at home. This means that any time your child completes a piece of homework, send a photo to your class teacher on Class Dojo so it can be celebrated and rewarded. Children will receive Class Dojo points for completing their homework.

On our school website you will find your child's Knowledge Organisers. You can use the information on their Knowledge Organisers to test your child's recall of facts and their understanding of the new vocabulary listed.

If you require any additional information, please contact your child's class teacher on Class Dojo, who will be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

The Year 2 team