



Dear Parents/Carers,










We can't believe we have already completed our first term in Year 2. The children have settled in well and we can't believe the amount of progress they have made already. Let's make this next half term an amazing term for learning. This letter will tell you the information that your child will be learning about in class. Further information about their learning can be found on our school website.

Getting Ready to Come to School



Children will need to come to school every day:

- Wearing their school uniform
- With their bookbag and water bottle
- Ready to learn!

Our Learning:

English 	In writing, we will be looking at the book <i>The King Who Banned the Dark</i> , where the children will be creating persuasive posters and writing letters. Next, we will be reciting the poem <i>The Dragon Machine</i> and videoing our performances. Then, we will create a voice-over PowerPoint explaining what grown-ups do all day.
Reading 	In reading, we will be continuing to build on the reading skills of retrieval, sequencing, predictions, defining and inference. Some children are continuing with phonics teaching and others are focusing on comprehension.
Maths 	This term in maths, we are completing our study of shape. We will then move on to money, multiplication and division, and length and height. For arithmetic, we will be focusing on adding across 10.
Science 	Our science focus this half term is chemistry and the uses of materials. We will be looking at different materials and their properties and how this affects how we use objects that are made of them.
Geography 	Our focus this term is hot and cold deserts. We will be locating hot and cold deserts and identifying their common physical and human features.
Art 	In art, we are looking at tints, tones and shades in the story <i>The King Who Banned the Dark</i> and Picasso's paintings from his blue period. We will use this as inspiration to draw a self portrait that represents an emotion.
Computing 	In computing, we will be creating media making music linked to our previous learning about living things and their habitats.
Music 	We will be learning to sing and accompany the rock song 'I want to play in a band'.
RE 	In RE, we are focusing on Theology and Christianity and particularly what stories from the bible reveal about what god is like.



PSHE 	In PSHE this term, our topic is Keeping safe. We will cover how medicines help when we are unwell, how to keep safe at home and our responsibility for keeping safe.
PE 	The focus this term is dance.

PE

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

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

Badger Class – Tuesday

Squirrel Class – Tuesday

Hedgehog Class – Tuesday

Homework

- Please read with your child at least 4 times a week and record it on learning with parents. Please upload pictures and audios of your child reading.
- Read your child's phonics, library and non-fiction book. There are also hundreds of books available to read on MyOn!
- Practice spellings on Edshed. These will be set weekly and will be tested on Fridays.
- Complete any paper homework sent home by your child's teacher. This usually includes a maths and writing activity.
- Everyone will receive 10 dojo points for complete homework.

Any time, your child completes a piece of homework please send their class teacher a photo of Dojo, so that we can celebrate and share their hard work.

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

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

The Year 2 team