

Year 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school. We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Very Happy New Year. Please find below the updated curriculum overview for this half term. Please refer to the topic web for further details.



Subject	Main learning
Literacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individual and group reading- concentrating on comprehension• Grammar focus on word types and conjunctions• Writing genres to include: non-fiction, poetry and story recounts
Spelling	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Weekly spelling and dictation• Focus on Year 2 common exception words
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multiplication and division• Properties of 2D and 3D shapes• Developing mental arithmetic strategies to solve calculations• Place value and bar models
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identifying materials and how they are used• Recycling• Developing scientific vocabulary
Creative Curriculum	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Map work• Identifying different polar regions• Seasons and different weather

Reading

Individual reading: Please encourage your child to read daily at home. We also ask that they discuss what they have read as this helps with comprehension skills. Please record their independent reading in their reading record book regularly.

Guided reading: We have regular guided reading sessions which enable us to read with a different group of children each day and cover a variety of different text types. These sessions are a key way in which we assess children's reading and oral comprehension.

Library: The children continue to have a library session each week. Please ensure that they have their library book in school on the following days:

2A- Wednesday

2B - Monday

2C - Monday

French

All children have a weekly French lesson.

PE

2A have PE on Wednesday and Thursday.

2B have PE on a Tuesday and Friday.

2C have PE on Tuesday and Thursday.

Homework

The children are given two pieces of homework each week in addition to daily reading. Please remember to revise high frequency words, number bonds and 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

Literacy – Set on a **Friday**, handed in on a **Wednesday**.

- There will be a dictation exercise each week. Further details will be put in their homework books.

Maths – Set on a **Wednesday**, handed in on a **Monday**.

- They will receive one piece of maths related to the work being taught in class.
- The children have their MyMaths logins in their communication books. Please log in and access the resources for Year 2.

We would be grateful if all homework could be completed and handed in on time so that it doesn't need to be completed in school.

Communication

Please continue to use the Communication book to promote home-school links.

General reminders

Name labels

Please ensure that all your child's belongings are clearly labelled including their water bottle, P.E. kit, uniform and bags.

Healthy snacks for break time

Your child will still be provided with a piece of fruit daily. If they would like to bring an additional snack, please ensure that it is **healthy and does not contain nuts**. **No crisps, biscuits or chocolate please.**

Donations

Any donations of tissues, carrier bags, glue sticks and thick black and white wool for DT would be gratefully received.

Parent helpers and reps

Thank you to our wonderful parent reps and helpers. There will be a parent rep meeting on 23rd January at 9am. If you have a spare half hour and would like to help out in school please see your child's class teacher.

Thank you for all the support and encouragement you give to your child. We hope that all this information enables you to continue to be involved in their learning. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

Ms Zealey, Mrs Qadir, Mrs Sankey, Mrs Newell and Mrs Sharief