

The Purpose Of Today

- To show you what is expected of children in Year 2.
- To explain to you what the National Expectations are for your child by the end of this year group.
- To show you how we teach your children literacy and numeracy skills.
- To provide you with the chance to ask questions and chat with other parents and the teachers.
- To give you ideas and ways to help your children at home.

Welcome To Year 2

Your Teachers - Mr McCurdy, Mrs Dyson & Mrs Jenkins

Classroom Support – Mrs Newton, Mrs Soffe,
Mrs Speck, Miss Leivers, Mrs Hughes

Expectations and Differences

- ▶ More whole class learning.
- ▶ Children to develop the ability to become independent learners.
- ▶ Children to have more ownership over their learning.
- ▶ Children to build up resilience.

Classroom Routines

School starts at 8.40am each day.

PE Days

- ▶ Our PE days are Monday and Tuesdays. One session is led by class teachers and one is led by a specialist coach (Active Fusion).
- ▶ Please ensure that your child has their kit and that they are not wearing jewellery otherwise they will not be able to participate.
- ▶ The PE sessions this year have a focus that will lead to a competition with other schools.

Topic Overview 2017/18

This year our topics are...

Autumn 1 – Wriggle and Crawl (Austerfield)

Autumn 2 – Lights of London

Spring 1 – Land Ahoy (Pirate Visit)

Spring 2 – Towers, Tunnels and Turrets.
(Royal Armouries)

Summer 1 – Towers, Tunnels and Turrets.

Summer 2 – Country Escape (Farm To Fork)

Key Skills - Numeracy

- To add and subtract two/three digit numbers mentally, pictorially, using a blank number line, partitioning and using the column method.
- To be able to apply methods learnt to all aspects of number. (word problems, money, measure)
- To know number bonds to 10 e.g. $3+7=10$ and understand the place value of numbers.
- To know the 2, 3, 5, 10 times tables confidently and recognise odd and even numbers.
- To learn directional language (anti-clockwise, half turn, quarter turn).
- To learn basic fractions of shapes and numbers $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{3}$ (extending to equivalent fractions)

Key Skills - Reading

- Read high-frequency and tricky words confidently.
- Use phonic skills and decoding to read unfamiliar words.
- To be able to answer and infer from texts read, for example, What happened at the beginning? Find one word that also means 'cut'. Why do you think the character was feeling this way?
- Use a text to locate answers by using specific text features (subheadings, bold print).
- Understand the difference between fiction and non fiction texts.

Key Skills - Writing

- Have a clear purpose for their writing, for example, to tell a story, recount a visit, give instructions, etc.
- Use and know a range of sentences within writing.
- Statement, question, exclamation, command.
- Organise their ideas into paragraphs or sequencing events. Write in simple, compound and complex sentences.
- Use a variety of punctuation correctly, including full stops, capital letters, question marks, exclamation marks, inverted commas and commas when writing a list.
- Use a range of conjunctions (joining words) to extend their sentences.
- Co-ordination (and, but, or, so)
- Subordination (because, if, when, if, that)
- Also use a range of time connectives – First, then, after, suddenly
- Use sentences from texts as models for writing.
- Develop their own imaginative ideas.

Handwriting

Children have daily handwriting practice.

Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee
Ff Gg Hh Ii Jj
Kk Ll Mm Nn Oo
Pp Qq Rr Ss Tt Uu
Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz

How Can I Help My Child At Home?

It is expected in Year 2 that...

- ▶ Children read three times a week at home.
- ▶ Children will complete a homework task.
- ▶ Children will practice times tables.
- ▶ Children practice spelling rules.
- ▶ Practice the common exception words.

Other Information

- ▶ Reading mornings take place every Friday and we encourage parents to come join us.
- ▶ Children are assessed and 'benchmarked' before they move to the next book band.
- ▶ Children have access to both TTRockstars and ActiveLearn to practice and apply number skills.

Future Workshops.

- ▶ Watch this space for future workshops including a meeting all about the SATs.
- ▶ SATs take place in May. Please do not book holidays for your children as these are important.
- ▶ In the meantime you are always welcome to come and see us if there are problems, or concerns.
- ▶ Thank you for listening and we hope you have found this workshop useful.