

St. Columba's Catholic Primary School



Year 2 2018-2019

This is the start of a really important year for your child.

Please work with us and support your child over the next year.



The start of the day

School starts at 8.55am however the doors are opened at 8.45 am. Children should be in school by then. If children arrive at school after this, they should report to the office before coming to class.



Absence

Please do not take off any more time than necessary. All learning in school is vital. If your child is ill, please phone school as soon as possible to let us know.



Home-school contact

Parents may communicate with school via the school office or by phone on 01204 333421. If you need to see a particular member of staff this can be arranged through the office. Please don't hesitate to come in. The Year 2 staff will greet children at the beginning of every day as well as ensure that they safely handed back to you at the end of the day. If your child is being collected from school by anybody other than yourself then it is important that you inform school.

PE Kit

Children need to bring a full PE kit to school which consists of a blue St Columba's T-shirt, navy blue shorts and black pumps. The PE kit will be sent home at the end of every half term and must be returned on the first day of the next half term.

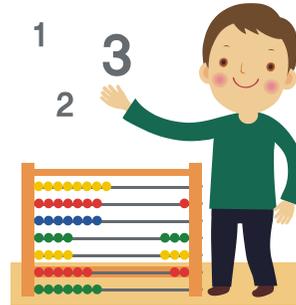
Jewellery

Our school policy is that NO jewellery may be worn in school. Staff are not allowed to remove or replace earrings!



Supporting your child in Literacy

During the language lesson, your child will be reading as a member of a group and undertaking a range of activities to develop their reading skills. Please listen to your child read **every day**. This need only be for ten minutes but it is very important. Please sign your child's Reading Record to show that they have read with an adult at home.



Supporting your child in Maths

Everyday your child will be developing their number skills. Encourage and help them to learn their times tables. Test your child by asking for different times tables ($\times 2$, $\times 3$, $\times 5$, $\times 10$). Keep asking your child for number bonds to 10 ($3 + 7$, $2 + 8$ etc) or 20. Also talk to them about what time it is. Look at everyday objects and ask your child to identify any shapes or patterns they can see.

Learning Logs

Every Monday children will be given spellings to learn for the following Monday. They will also be given a homework task to complete. Children should complete this task in their Learning Log. Homework will be given out every Tuesday and must be back to school by the following Monday.



Homework Kit

If possible, please provide your child with a kit for completing their Homework. This should include: a pencil case, pens, pencils, crayons and a ruler for use at home. This will ensure that children concentrate and present their work neatly.

Thank you for your support
Mrs. Plevin