

How to help at home

Please continue to practise how to read and spell the **common exception words**. Can you put some of the words into sentences?

Year 2 Common Exception Words

after, again, any, bath, beautiful, because, behind, both, break, busy, child, children, Christmas, class, climb, clothes, cold, could, door, every, everybody, even, eye, fast, father, find, floor, gold, grass, great, half, hold, hour, improve, kind, last, many, mind, money, most, move, Mr, Mrs, old, only, parents, pass, past, path, people, plant, poor, pretty, prove, should, steak, sugar, sure, told, water, who, whole, wild, would.



Continue to support your child with the following areas in **Maths**:

Partitioning two-digit numbers into different combinations of tens and ones.

Adding 2 two-digit numbers within 100.

Counting in tens from any two digit number.

Using different **coins** to make the same amount.

Reading the **time** on the clock **to the nearest 15 minutes**.

Identifying 2D and 3D shapes and talking about their properties.



Creative Curriculum

Year 2

Term 2



To infinity and beyond!

In term 2 we will be using our investigative skills as we continue our Year 2 learning journey — The sky is the limit!

We will be researching the Solar System and using this as a stimulus for fiction and non-fiction writing.

We will be using different sources of evidence to research 'The Space Race' that occurred between Russia and America to be the first country to land on the moon.

With the Earth as a focus we will also look at the physical and human features of our planet and use these to help us design a new planet.



Inference is an important reading skill in Year 2. Readers who make inferences use the clues in the text along with their own experiences to help them figure out what is not directly said. Here are some questions to ask your child to help develop their inference skills.

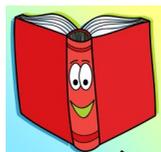
How do you think the character is feeling? What does the text say to make you think that?

Where do you think they are? Why?

What time of day is it? What tells you that in the text?

How old do you think the characters are?

What do you think will happen next? Why?



During Term 2 we will also be learning to:

Maths

We will continue working on adding and subtracting two-digit numbers, working out missing number problems by using the inverse, identifying fractions of numbers and shapes as well as building on our knowledge of money and how to make the same amount in different ways.



SPaG

We will be looking at different types of sentences (statements and questions), how to use commas in lists, spelling contractions (can't, don't, haven't) as well as learning and understanding the terms 'verbs', 'nouns' and 'adjectives'.



Your Expertise

Do you have any expertise linked to our To Infinity and Beyond topic?

Do you know anybody who would be willing to come in and share their knowledge?

Please speak to the Year 2 team if there is anything you can do to support us in extending the children's learning experience.

PSHE

Our PSHE focus for this term will be communication. We will be thinking about our listening skills and thinking about what we want to say.

Computing

We will be learning all about algorithms and how to create and debug simple programs using 'Scratch' and 'The Hour of Code'.

Art

We will be designing and making our own space rockets.



Science

We will be looking at growing and changing in our Science work and will look at how animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults. We will also find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival.



Dates for Term 2

Monday 29th October-Children return to school.

Monday 29th October- Space Impact Day.

Tuesday 30th October- Flu Vaccinations

Tuesday 6th November- Parents Evening 3.30pm-6.00pm

Thursday 8th November- Parents Evening-4.00pm-7.00pm

Monday 12th November- KS1 workshops 9am- More details to follow.

Wednesday 12th December- Year 2 Christmas Production, 9.15am

Thursday 13th December- Year 2 Christmas Production, 2.15pm

Friday 14th December- Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Fayre.

Monday 17th December- Blunderbus Theatre Company show and pyjama day.

Tuesday 18th December- Christmas dinner day

Wednesday 19th December- Christmas Party Day/Last day of term.

Geography

We will develop our geographical vocabulary by identifying key human features (town, village, factory, farm, office) and key physical features (beach, cliff, mountain, coast, ocean) when looking at planet Earth.

