

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER



Y2

AUTUMN 2026

Welcome to Year 2

We have been settling into Year 2 and we have already started to learn lots of exciting things. We have a very busy term ahead with lots of fantastic things to look forward to. There will be an RE theme day, Harvest service and National Poetry Day. We look forward to exploring our values in collective worship and watching the children demonstrate them in school.

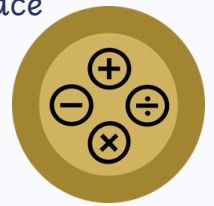
In English

We will explore the story 'Frog and the Stranger' and focus on writing sentences, including capital letters and full stops. We will explore 'The Dragon Post' and look at different types of letters and write some of our own. We will write poetry in the form of list poems. Later, we will read 'Last Stop on Market Street'. We will plan, write, edit and publish our own stories. Our final book of this term will focus on 'The Great Fire of London'.



In Maths

We will explore numbers to 20 using a range of concepts. The children will become familiar with equivalence, magnitude of number, regrouping, 'think 10' for addition and subtraction and find the difference. We will learn about number patterns such as odd, even, doubles and near doubles. In addition, we will explore place value of 2-digit numbers and choose an efficient strategy to calculate sums.



In Phonics

In Phonics, we will spend the first half term recapping the phase 5 sounds. After this we move on to spelling rules and patterns.



Key Dates for Y2

Please see the website for full school dates.



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In Science

In Science, we are investigating what animals need to survive. In the next half term, we will focus on materials, their properties and suitability for different uses.



In History

We will be exploring the question: What is a monarch? We will identify some of the roles of a monarch and explore the coronation ceremony. We will also use sources to explain how William the Conqueror became King of England and kept order. We will also look at how castles have been used and changed over time.



In Geography

In Geography, we will build upon our knowledge of the world from Year 1 and learn more about the continents and oceans. We will look closely at hot and cold areas of the world and how climate and weather affect people and places.



In RE

In RE, we are learning who Christians believe made the world. We will then think about why Christmas is important to Christians.



In PSHE

In PSHE, we are exploring relationships, making friends, resolving conflict, working together, belonging and feeling included.



In Music

In Music, we will use the music of Vivaldi's 'The Four Seasons' to look at rhythm, pitch and composition. We will compose using dot notations and improvise a rhythm.



In Art

In Art, we will create artwork from nature. We will consider where inspiration comes from and improve our observation skills and sketching techniques. In Autumn 2, we will learn about expressive painting. The children will make marks using a range of tools, explore colour mixing and learn about a range of artists.



In Technology

This year, we are focussing on Art for the whole of Autumn term. DT will return in the Spring.



In Computing

In Computing, we will discuss the process of taking a good photo. We will learn the difference between portrait and landscape and recognise how photos can be edited.



In PE

In PE, we are learning to create balances, perform different jumps and develop sequence building. In yoga, we will focus on balance, flexibility and coordination.



For more information about our adventurous curriculum, please visit our curriculum pages on our website.



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