

New to Year 2 Newsletter

Year 2 Team

We hope that you have a great summer and are looking forward to your new teacher.

Miss Belle – KS1 Vice Principal

Mrs McLellan (Year Team Leader) – Class 2LM

Mrs Khalil – Class 2FK

Miss Sheridan – Class 2AS

Miss Jones – Class 2KJ

Miss Ramachanthan – Class 2JR

Mrs Smith – HLTA

Mrs Smith - Groups



Welcome Meeting

We look forward to meeting you at our Welcome Meeting on **Friday 7th July at 3:40pm**. This meeting will give you chance to meet your child's new class teacher and find out more about what is expected when your child is in year 2.

Year 2 Expectations

Homework: Literacy and Numeracy homework will be given out every Thursday and must be returned by Tuesday. If your child is struggling to complete their homework at home, please speak to the class teacher for some advice on how to proceed, alternatively they will be able to join a homework club which will take place during school time. The children will have the opportunity to complete their homework with the support of an adult.

Reading: Reading is important therefore, each child is expected to read for at least 10minutes every day. **If your child has not read and their reading log is not signed daily, then they will need to attend a reading catch up session in school.**

Please support us and your child by ensuring the tasks above are completed so that the children enhance their learning and do not have to miss out on some of their play and reward times to complete them.



A big welcome to year 2!

We hope that your child had a fantastic day meeting their new teacher. We know the excellent behaviour and positive attitudes the teachers have seen today will continue throughout year 2.

The YOYOB chart will continue to be used and a stamp given in the diary for good choices and behaviour. Please monitor this at home and praise your child for stamps they receive. At the end of the term, there will be prizes for those who have collected a certain number of stamps for good behaviour!

Attendance

Each child should come to school every day to improve their learning and to help develop their life skills. In Year 2, we expect **100% attendance from each child**. This is especially important as the **year 2 SATS** will be taking place towards the end of the year. **Each day the attendance is checked**, and if any of the year 2 classes has had 100% for the week, then all the children in that class will be rewarded with a non school uniform day!

Education and Punctuality

School begins at 8.45 for soft start activities. During this time the children have the opportunity to **check their next steps, finish any uncompleted work, practise their targets and spellings** and so on. At 9 o'clock the register is taken and the first lesson begins please ensure that your child is on time everyday so that their learning and progress is not affected.

Useful websites

To help your child get ready for year 2, use the websites below to provide your child with more information on the topics they will be studying. To find out all about the Great Fire of London and London Monarchs in the past please visit the websites below.

<http://www.fireoflondon.org.uk/game>

<http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/customs/questions/royal/index.htm>

<http://www.ictgames.com/>

We appreciate your support in helping to prepare the children for Year 2.

Autumn Term

We are going to start the Autumn term looking at story writing in English. It would be helpful if your child became familiar with some Julia Donaldson books. You can find these in your local library.

In Maths, it is important that your child is familiar with their 2, 5 and 10 times tables and begins to have instant recall of number facts e.g. 1+9=10 etc. We will be having mental maths tests throughout the year.

We will learn about the **Great Fire of London** and animal life cycles. Do get your child ahead in these studies. For Opening Minds, we will be focusing on entrepreneurship and diversity.