

Welcome to the Year 2 Information Evening



Meet the Staff!



Mrs. Beckett
(class teacher)



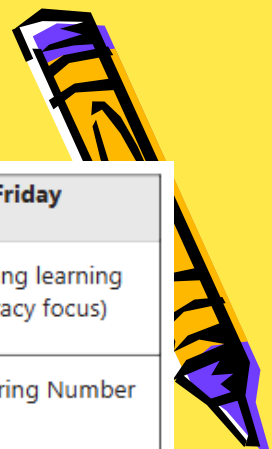
Ms. Evans
(teaching assistant
Monday - Wednesday)



Miss Meadows
(teaching assistant
Thursday and Friday)



Autumn timetable



Time	Monday		Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.45 - 8.55	Morning learning (Literacy focus)		Morning learning (Maths focus)	Morning learning (Literacy focus)	Morning learning (Maths focus)	Morning learning (Literacy focus)
8.55 - 9.10	Mastering Number		Mastering Number	Ten:Ten	Mastering Number	Mastering Number
9.10 - 9.50	Phonics		Phonics	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics
9.50 - 10.40	Literacy		Literacy	Literacy (Handwriting/ Spelling focus)	Literacy	Literacy
10.40 - 10.55	BREAK					
10.55 - 12	Maths		Maths	Spelling	Maths	Maths
				Life to the full		
12.00 – 1.00	LUNCH					
1.00 - 1.20	Ten:Ten		Ten:Ten	PPA (PE, French and Music)	Ten:Ten	ICT/Book Club
1.20 - 2.00	Science (1 – 2.30)		RE		Art	
2.00 - 3.00	Science	Assembly 2.30 - 3.00				
3.00 - 3.20	Tidy up & story		Tidy up & story	Tidy up & story	Tidy up & story	Tidy up & story



Key to successful learning: happiness, joy and fun!

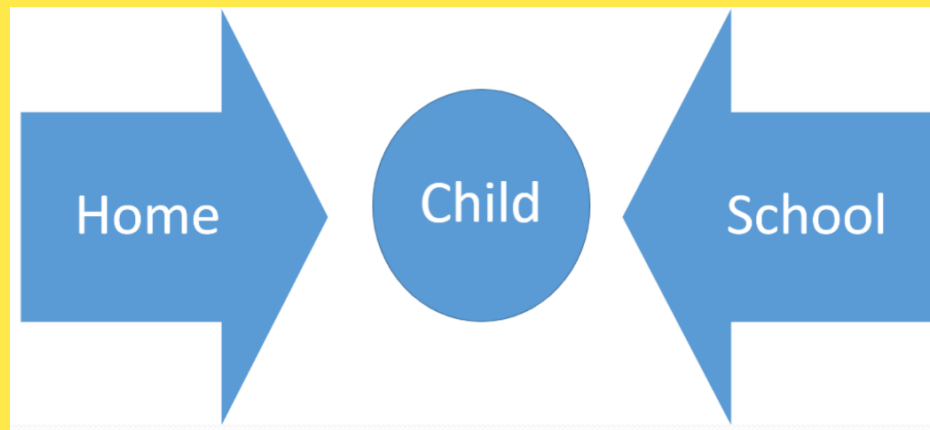


Support at school:

Happy atmosphere
Healthy minds check-in
Time to talk with adults
Emails, telephone calls
Morning routines

Support at home:

Talking about how
they feel
Homework support
Encouragement with
their learning



Morning Routines

- Mornings - doors open at 8.45am.
- Registration begins at 8.55 and closes at 9.00 am.
- Children are encouraged to independently hang up coats and then complete morning learning task.



Key to successful learning: Routine and structure

- Water bottles
- Coats
- Please label everything!
- Select hot lunches at home on the online system
- Read, Write Inc everyday 9:10am - 9:50am
- Movement/brain break sessions in class to support transitions
- Year 2 will attend PE, French and Music lessons on Wednesday afternoons to cover teacher PPA time.



Organisation

Any letters for the office can be given to your child to bring in to school.

Changes to collection arrangements - please inform the office of any changes via phone before 2:30pm.

Please keep an eye on the school newsletter and class teams for regular updates.



Allergies/snacks

- If your child has a packed lunch please make sure it does not contain any nuts including Nutella.
- Fruit is available free to all children in Key Stage One.



Home time

School finishes at 3:20pm.

Please collect from the Year 2 classroom door
in the KS1 playground.

Children will only be handed over to parent/
guardian, unless written or telephone
permission given for another adult.

Please inform us of change of contact
details/arrangements.



School rules



Verbal praise, stickers and dojo points can be earned to celebrate children following school rules.



Key to successful learning: Reading

RWI

Children work in small groups, continuing the Read, Write Inc program.

They will read each day to an adult and to their partner.



Home reading books

Teachers will send new books home every Friday.

Children to bring their reading record and school reading books back to school every Wednesday.

Regular reading (everyday if possible).

RWI philosophy:

When learning to read it takes three days to read a book.

Day 1 - decoding

Day 2 - ask questions about the text

Day 3 - try to read again with fluency and expression.



Recommended reads for Year 2






50 Recommended Reads for...








Year 2 (ages 6-7)

✓ Which ones have you read?






Funny Books

- ☐  **The Couch Potato**
Jory John & Pete Oswald
- ☐  **Don't Trust Fish!**
Neil Sharpson & Dan Santat
- ☐  **The Troll**
Julia Donaldson & David Roberts
- ☐  **The Duck Never Blinks**
Alex Latimer






Short Independent Chapter Books

- ☐  **Croaky: Search for the Sasquatch**
Matty Long
- ☐  **Claude at the Circus**
Alex T. Smith
- ☐  **Nellie Choc-Ice, Penguin Explorer**
Jeremy Strong & Jamie Smith
- ☐  **The Missing Bunny**
Holly Webb & Antonia Woodward
- ☐  **Watts & Whiskerton: Sabotage at the Fete Cake Bake**
Meg McLaren
- ☐  **Lottie the Little Wonder**
Katherine Woodfine & Ella Okstad
- ☐  **Izzy the Inventor and the Unexpected Unicorn**
Zanna Davidson & Elissa Elwick

Classic Stories

- ☐  **The Enchanted Wood**
Enid Blyton
- ☐  **Pippi Longstocking**
Astrid Lindgren & Lauren Child
- ☐  **George's Marvellous Medicine**
Roald Dahl & Quentin Blake
- ☐  **Martin's Mice**
Dick King Smith
- ☐  **Flat Stanley**
Jeff Brown & Rob Biddulph

Stories about Kindness and Inclusivity

- ☐  **Leo and the Octopus**
Isabelle Marinov & Chris Nixon
- ☐  **My Friend Andy**
Emma Chinnery
- ☐  **Rajiv's Starry Feelings**
Niall Moorjani & Nanette Regan
- ☐  **Aaron Slater, Illustrator**
Andrea Beaty & David Roberts
- ☐  **Cloud Boy**
Greg Stobbs

Short Graphic Novels

- ☐  **InvestiGators**
John Patrick Green



Animal Stories

- ☐  **The Rainbow Bear**
Michael Morpurgo & Michael Foreman
- ☐  **The Emerald Forest**
Catherine Ward & Karin Littlewood
- ☐  **Jenny Peckles Lays Eggs With Speckles**
Rachel Emily & Paul Delaney
- ☐  **Darwin's Super-Pooping Worm Spectacular**
Polly Owen & Gwen Milward

Interesting & Thought-Provoking Stories

- ☐  **Can I Build Another Me?**
Shinsuke Yoshitake
- ☐  **The Tunnel**
Anthony Browne
- ☐  **Barnaby Unboxed**
The Fan Brothers
- ☐  **Troll Stinks!**
Jeanne Willis & Tony Ross
- ☐  **If I Were Prime Minister**
Trygve Skaug & Ella Okstad
- ☐  **My Momo-La is a Museum**
Mamta Nainy & Violet Kim

Magic, Myths and Fairytales

- ☐  **Inside the Villains**
Clotilde Perrin
- ☐  **The Glass Heart**
Sally Gardner
- ☐  **Luna and the Sky Dragon**
Bethan Woolvin
- ☐  **My Encyclopedia of Very Important Myths & Legends**
DK


Storytime Chapter Books

- ☐  **Dino Dad**
Andy Day & Steven Lenton
- ☐  **The Naughtiest Unicorn**
Pip Bird & David O'Connell
- ☐  **An Alien in the Jam Factory**
Chrissie Sains & Jenny Taylor
- ☐  **Einstein the Penguin**
Iona Rangeley & David Tazzyman
- ☐  **Marge in Charge**
Isla Fisher & Eglantine Ceulemans
- ☐  **Magic Faces: Heroes of the Pirate Ship**
Esi Merleh & Abeeha Tariq

Poems & Rhymes

- ☐  **An Emotional Menagerie**
The School of Life
- ☐  **Michael Rosen's Book of Very Silly Poems**
Michael Rosen & Shoo Rayner

Information Books

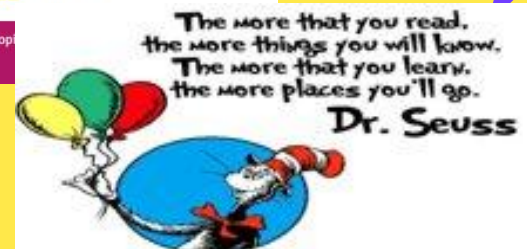
- ☐  **Don't Squish a Slug**
Yussef Rafik & Riley Samels
- ☐  **The Big Book of the Blue**
Yuval Zommer
- ☐  **What's the Actually Factually Difference?**
Jane Wilsher & Liz Kay
- ☐  **Meet the Microbes!**
Dr Emily Grossman & Maggie Li
- ☐  **Small, Sparkling Raindrop**
Mary Auld & Lou Baker Smith
- ☐  **Welcome to Our Table**
Laura Mucha, Ed Smith & Harriet Lynas



SCAN ME

Or visit www.booksfortopics.com/year-2 to find the online booklist, book pack, reviews and resources

Find booklists by age or topic



Key to successful learning: Writing



I begin every sentence with a capital letter
and I use full stops appropriately.

I use small dots for the letters i and j and for
full stops.

All my letters are correctly formed.

I spell words correctly if they are written for
me to copy.



Key to successful learning: Maths



Curriculum

Read, write, represent, partition, compare and order numbers up to 100.

Add and subtract 2-digit numbers.

Draw and measure lengths in centimetres and compare and order lengths in centimetres and metres.

Estimate measurements.



At home support

Counting in 2's, 5's and 10's

Number bonds to 20 to aid fluency

Science

Looking at the human lifecycle, thinking about how children have changed since they were babies and finding out about the lifecycles of other animals and what they need to survive.

Art

The element of line. Sketching natural objects, observing closely, showing light and dark areas in drawings.

ICT

Re-cap basic computer skills, such as turning a computer on and off safely and opening and closing documents. Children will have a go at printing and continue to develop keyboard skills.

RE

Creation: Consider what they could do to care for God's world in their lives and their local community



Curriculum focus overview



Autumn Term Focus: Under the Sea - Art

Spring Term Focus: Castles - History

Summer Term: Where in the World -
Geography



Dates for your diary

8th October 2025:

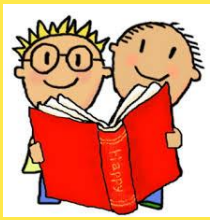
The Storm Whale with Music in the Round

29th April 2026:

EYFS and KS1 Sports Day

Year 2 will attend Forest School sessions in Summer term, more information will be sent closer to the time.





Homework



Reading is on-going homework. Please encourage children to write the titles of the books they read and a short comment in their reading record books.

Maths and spelling homework will be set every **Friday** and will be due/tested the following **Wednesday**.

Year 1 and 2 Common Exception Words

Year 1

the	they	one
a	be	once
do	he	ask
to	me	friend
today	she	school
of	we	put
said	no	push
says	go	pull
are	so	full
were	by	house
was	my	our
is	here	
his	there	
has	where	
I	love	
you	come	
your	some	

Year 2

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

Number of the week

___ tens + ___ ones = ___

One less: ___

One more: ___

My number is:

Record on a number line:

What my number looks like using Dienes

Record a number pattern starting at your number: ___

My number in words: ___

Questions?

Thank you for attending tonight. Please come to see me if you have any questions.

Contact information:

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