



YEAR 2

2026 - 2027

NEWSLETTER



AUTUMN TERM

MATHS AND SPELLING HOMEWORK

For Maths, children will be bringing home a 'Bingo' sheet at the start of each half term with 9 activities to choose from. These activities involve a mixture of games, on-screen learning, verbal and paper-based tasks and link to our sticky knowledge objective for each half term, as well as some other key learning objectives.

Children will be rewarded in school for returning their sheet before the end of the half term with 3 in a row or a full house completed, along with a parental comment or evidence to show that they have done this. There may be QR codes on the sheet, which you can scan to get to a game or to a support video, or other supporting resources.

The aim of these activities is to allow children to practise key maths skills in a way which is fun, and with support from someone at home where possible, as this has been shown to be the most effective use of homework time.

In addition to this, it is important that children learn their maths sticky knowledge objective which will also be shared at the start of each half term. Children will need to regularly practise this at home in order to gain a sound understanding by the end of the half term and they will be tested on these in school.

Spelling homework is given out on a **Friday** and will need to be returned the following **Wednesday**.

This will involve practising spellings that your child has been learning in class each week.

WELCOME BACK!

A huge welcome back to school! We hope you have all had a fantastic Summer and are as excited about the new school year as we are. If you wish to see what your child will be learning this term all details can be found on our class page on the school website.

THE YEAR 2 TEAM

Listed below are all the members of our Year Two team so you know who is in class and available on which days:

Miss Atack is our teacher in 2A with **Mrs. Lilley** teaching on Fridays.

Miss Murray is our teacher in 2M.

Miss Boyes, Miss Webster, Mrs. Allen and Miss Sunderland are our teaching assistants who will support teaching and learning across the year group.

HOME READING/ BOOKBAGS

Reading regularly at home is paramount to your child's development. Your child will need to bring their bookbag into school on a **Wednesday** for their reading record to be checked and for their book to be changed.

N.B: If your child's reading record is not signed or returned on time, then homework and books may not be able to be replaced until the following week.

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

This year, we will continue with the 'Punctuality Push', the aim of this being to arrive at school on time every day. The school gates will open at 8.30am and school will start at **8.40am**. It is vital that children arrive at school on time so that they are fully equipped for the school day and do not miss any valuable learning time. Each child who is on time all week will be entered into a prize draw at the end of the half-term. Any child who arrives after 8.55am will be recorded as late.

The school day finishes at **3.10pm**. Please ensure children are collected on time. In line with our 'Late Collection Policy', if children are not collected on time, a warning will be issued, followed by a letter giving a reminder that a fine could be issued if there is a third occasion. From the third occasion, there will be a fine of £3 per child. We do not want to fine any parent/carer and hope you will work with us to ensure that your child is collected on time.

WATER BOTTLES

We recommend your child brings a **named water bottle** into school each day. This must only contain water and children can refill, if required, during the school day.

UNIFORM

Please ensure children have the correct uniform for school. This includes a navy-blue sweatshirt/ cardigan/jumper, a navy-blue or white blouse/ shirt/ polo-shirt, and a black or grey skirt/ trousers.

Leggings and tracksuit bottoms are not appropriate school uniform and children will be asked to change.

In the interests of safety, children should not wear jewelry in school. If your child has pierced ears, permit simple plain studs which do not protrude or hang loosely.

Please make sure your child's belongings are **labelled with their name and class**. In a school with over 400 children wearing similar items, this makes it much easier for to reunite lost property with its rightful owner.

Pumps: Please ensure your child has pumps to wear in school. These are **available to buy** from school, on Parent Pay. These pumps should have their name in them.

We do not allow children to have:

- Painted/ acrylic/ any type of false nails
- Large headbands/hair accessories (including coloured hair pieces/extensions)

We do allow:

- Small headbands/bobbles in school colours. A reminder that all long hair should be tied back.

ICT @ HOME

The following websites provide invaluable support towards your child's 'in-school' learning, and we would love for them to use them as much as they can. There are also rewards each week for children accessing these resources on a regular basis: TT Rockstars, NumBots, Spelling Shed, Lexia (selected children), and Purple Mash. If your child would like a reminder about their username or password for any of these sites, please let their class teacher know. If your child does not have access to the internet at home, please also let us know so that we can make provisions to support them.

PE

Children will come to school **in their PE kit** on the days that they have PE. We have a PE uniform that all children are expected to wear on their PE Days. Please help us to encourage your children to follow our uniform rules. Children should not be wearing items of clothing that are visibly branded, they should be plain in colour. Kit can now be purchased via Parent Pay.

Indoor PE: This is on a **Monday**. Your child will need plain black or navy shorts and a plain white t-shirt. (Children can wear plain black/ navy jogging bottoms over their shorts to keep them warm throughout the school day).

Outdoor PE: This is on a **Friday**. Your child will need to wear trainers, as well as clothing suitable for the weather. This will be plain black or navy tracksuit bottoms or shorts, a plain white t-shirt, and a plain black or navy zip-up top or jumper.

If your child wears earrings which they cannot remove by themselves, they should remove them at home on PE days. Please speak to a member of the Y2 team if this is a problem.

DATES FOR DIARY

Staff Training Days

Friday 23rd October 2026

Monday 23rd November 2026

Friday 28th May 2027

Monday 7th June 2027

Tuesday 8th June 2027

Parents' Evenings

Thursday 22nd October 2026

Thursday 11th February 2027

