

Welcome to Year 2



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Welcome to Year Two! This handout will provide you with some information about expectations and routines. If you have any further questions, you know where we are 😊

Expectations

We follow the school behaviour policy (traffic light system) where all children start the day 'on green' and that is the expected behaviour throughout the day. If a child goes above and beyond (in their work or socially) they may go on gold where they will receive 5 dojo/house points. Should they make the wrong choice, they will be warned to rectify that behaviour, or their named frog goes 'on amber', which is a time for the child to reflect and aim to go back to green. Should they continue to make the wrong choice, the child's name will be placed 'on red' and they lose five minutes of play time. More severe behaviours will see the child's name placed on red straight away, such as defiance or violence.

We have lots of opportunities for rewards with dojo/house points, stickers, certificates and termly treats that we will work towards as a class.

Belongings

In Year Two we are helping the children to become independent and so it is their responsibility to look after their own belongings. In order to help them do this, we would appreciate it if everything is named.

Children are expected to change their own books independently when they need to. They will be given the opportunity to do so every day.

Curriculum

You will receive a letter telling you all about the topic at the beginning of each half term. The first one is coming home on Thursday (communications day). This term's topic is all about Muck, Mess and Mixtures. Topics for the rest of the year include: Land Ahoy, Towers, Tunnels and Turrets, Bounce, Beachcombers and The Scented Garden. Curriculum objectives will be placed on our new website as will the Teacher Assessment Frameworks for the end of Key Stage 1.

Assessment

There are three checkpoints in the year (Autumn, Spring and Summer Term) where children will be assessed using NFER test papers of previous SATs papers. We will also use Learning Journeys with the children to support ongoing, regular teacher assessments.

KS1 SATs take place in the Summer Term. Children will be prepared prior to this taking place.

Homework

The children in Year Two have a reading record and a homework book. We encourage that you read daily with your child, even if for just 5 minutes. Please sign the reading record each time they read at home and they will get a raffle ticket to go in a prize draw which is drawn on a Friday. Each time they read at home they can draw a footstep across the world. Once they have crossed the world they will get a prize.

Homework goes out on a Thursday and needs to be returned on the following Tuesday. We will alternate between maths and English based homework.

Parent Hub and the Parents Evening System

Letters (such as the weekly newsletter) come out via Parent Hub but paper copies of all letters are available from the office.

Parents evening, clubs and tickets for our performances can all be booked using the Parents Evening System. The office or Miss Temperton can support you with any issues with either of these systems.

Farm Kitchen

You can order hot lunches online on Tuesdays for the following week.

Snacks/water

Children in Key Stage One receive free fruit/veg for a morning snack. Unfortunately we have no control over what variety of fruit or vegetables come to school and so if your child doesn't like the snacks on offer, you can send in a snack for them to have as long as it is a piece of fruit/veg.

Children can access their water bottles at all times during the day, apart from during the lesson input. If your child needs a water bottle, they can be purchased from the office. Please make sure that your child's water bottle is named.

P.E.

We have P.E. on a Monday (indoor) and a Friday (outdoor). We would appreciate it if all items in the P.E. kit were named.

Children are not allowed to wear jewellery to school, apart from one pair of stud earrings. The children must be able to take these out on their own for P.E. lessons.

Routines

At the beginning of the school day, the first bell signals the children to come to line up and say goodbye. You are welcome to stand at the back of the playground to wave them off ☺. On the second bell, the class goes into school.

If you have a quick message, you can catch us on the playground in the morning before the bell goes. Otherwise, please make an appointment at the office for a longer chat. Miss Coggins is available on Thursday evenings after school.

If you want to know more about anything mentioned above, all our policies (behaviour, uniform etc) can be found on our website, or feel free to come into the office for a hard copy.

Thank you for your continued support! The Year Two Team