



Welcome to Year Two

Class Teachers: Miss Wilson, Miss Hooker and Mrs Rosell Hughes

Welcome to Year Two, we are looking forward to the start of a new school year and sharing all the great learning experiences we have in store for your child! Keeping you as parents/carers involved in your child's learning is very important to us, so we would like to share some important information with you in advance of September:

Year Two Day

- School begins at 8.40am and ends at 3.10pm
- Morning playtime is 10.10am – 10.25am and afternoon playtime is 2.30pm – 2.45pm
- Children in Key Stage 1 (KS1) are provided with a healthy fruit snack at morning playtime
- Lunchtime is 11.45am – 12.45pm

Reading

- Children will be given an opportunity to change their individual reading book during the week on a Monday and Friday.
- Please read and share stories with your child daily to encourage their love of reading and give them the practice needed to become confident readers. Each time your child reads at home, please comment in your child's Reading Record.

Spellings

- In Year Two children will have regular spelling sessions (following the No Nonsense Spelling programme) - spelling knowledge, conventions, patterns and rules are taught through these sessions
- At the beginning of each half term children will receive a list of 20 spellings, they will be tested in groups of 5 each Wednesday for the remaining of the half term
- At the beginning of the half term children will complete a 'pre-test' of all 20 spellings - this will then be repeated at the start of the next half term to see how many words have been remembered
- These spellings are made up of High Frequency words (words children encounter a lot and need to know how to spell), Common Exception words (words that don't always follow known spelling patterns) and statutory words for Year Two

Home Learning

- Home Learning is set on a Wednesday and handed in by the following Monday
- The purpose of Home Learning is to consolidate and extend prior learning
- Children should be able to complete tasks independently, but can be supported when necessary
- Any concerns regarding Home Learning should be shared with the Class Teacher

Home School Communication

- Your child's Class Teacher should always be your first point of contact
- The Year Two team are available at the Year Two door every morning and at home time
- Reading Records are to stay in your child's bag as a form of communication
- Feedback can be shared with PTA/Parent Council Reps and Parent Governors

- Parents' Evenings happen in the Autumn and Spring Term, and Learning Review Meetings in the Summer Term
- The Annual Planner has key dates a year in advance
- The Gorsey Weekly and Twitter have more up-to-date information and any changes

Collection Arrangements

- Children should be collected from the Year Two door, when they see the adult collecting them, they will be able to join you
- Please let the school office know if there is any change in collection



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