

# Year 2 Meet the Teacher



# Other adults in Year 2

- Learning Support Assistants in Year 2 are:  
Mornings: Mr Potter and Mrs Grosvenor-Jones  
Afternoons: Mrs Griffiths and Mrs Balfe-Doyle
- On Wednesday afternoon the children will do an hour long session with a Hampshire music teacher.
- On a Tuesday morning children are taught by Mrs Atkins (2B) and Mrs Sibbons (2C).

# Daily Routines

- Thank you for dropping your children off promptly in the mornings. Quick messages can be given to us, however please arrange a meeting with the office if you would like a more in-depth chat about your child.
- PE days are Tuesday (indoor) and Friday (outdoor)
- Library books will be exchanged on Thursday afternoons. Please remember to bring these in on the day so that we can issue new ones.

# Reading books

- Reading books can be changed on a Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays. Please continue to read with your child regularly and record this in the diary so we know when they are ready to change their book.
- Children who are reading 5c level books will only be able to move on to level 6 books when we have finished teaching the new level 6 sounds. Please do encourage your child to read other books in addition to these.
- Three house points will be awarded to those children who read four times per week at home.

# Google classroom

Home learning will be set each Friday for children to complete by Wednesday. Some activities can be found on Spelling Shed and Purple Mash.

The screenshot displays the Google Classroom interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'Stream', 'Classwork', and 'People', with 'Classwork' being the active tab. Below the tabs, there's a section for 'View your work' with a dropdown menu set to 'All topics'. The main content area is divided into three sections: 'Homework', 'Spelling', and 'Reading'. The 'Homework' section shows an assignment titled 'Homework - due in Wednesday 20th September' by Rachel Cowling, due tomorrow. The 'Spelling' section shows 'Spelling Resources'. The 'Reading' section is currently empty. On the right side, there's a 'Your work' panel with an 'Assigned' status, a '+ Add or create' button, and a 'Mark as done' button. Below this, there's a 'Private comments' section with a link to 'Add comment to Rachel Cowling'. At the bottom, there's a 'Class comments' section with a link to 'Add a class comment'.

Stream Classwork People

View your work

All topics

### Homework

Homework - due in Wednesday 20th September

### Spelling

Spelling Resources

### Reading

## Homework - due in Wednesday 20th September

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Due Tomorrow

- 1. Google Classroom**  
At home login to Google classroom. Make sure you can find where your teacher will leave you messages and where you can find your homework.
- 2. Spelling Shed**  
Have a go at the Assignment for 'Where y makes the 'igh' sound'. Let's see if we can get Year 2 on the leader board for the first challenge this term. The Spelling Shed Whole School Challenge runs weekly from 8:45 on a Thursday to 8:45 the following Thursday.
- 3. Reading**  
Read 4 times a week and log it in your reading diary. Remember you will get 3 house points if you do!

Class comments

Add a class comment

Your work Assigned

+ Add or create

Mark as done

Private comments

Add comment to Rachel Cowling

Log in usernames and passwords can be found in your child's reading diary.

# Year 2 Topics

## Autumn:

- Adventures on the high seas
- The Great Fire of London

## Spring:

- The moon landings
- The enchanted forest

## Summer:

- Disaster at sea
- Seven worlds one planet

### Upcoming trips!

Here is an outline of the trips planned for the year and the approximate cost:

Trip to Tudor House Museum,  
Southampton:

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November

Approximate cost: £14

Year 2 Great Fire event (after school) in  
December

Approximate cost: £3

### To be confirmed:

Winchester Science Centre

Approximate cost: £9

Sea City Museum in Southampton

Approximate cost: £15

Marwell Zoo

Approximate cost: £19

# Year 2 Assessment

In 2024, Key Stage 1 SATs are no longer compulsory national tests. However, KS1 SATs have been 'replaced' by optional KS1 SATs tests.

They will take tests in:

- Maths
- Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling
- Reading

Year 2 will complete these tests in May 2024 under **informal** conditions (i.e. in the classroom)

These are not tests that they should be concerned about – they are just one part of our assessment methods.

# Expectations

We have reward systems to encourage good behaviour and focussed learning.

- Superstars and best learner
- Awarding privileges and responsibilities
- Celebration Assembly
- House points and Outstanding certificates
- Class targets (gem powers) leading to rewards

Sanctions will be used if necessary in line with our behaviour policy (on website).



# Uniform and PE kit

## **Uniform**

- We ask that children look smart.
- Please make sure every item (including shoes!) are named. This helps children find lost items, especially jumpers and water bottles.
- No jewellery except watches and/or stud earrings.
- Shoes should be dark coloured.
- Coats - Please ensure your child comes to school with an appropriate coat for the weather.

## **PE Kit**

- KW house T-shirt, White shorts, Tracksuit bottoms or leggings for Autumn and Winter, Trainers.
- Plimsolls for indoor PE if your child has a verruca
- Girls need to tie their hair back.
- Stud earrings will need to be covered with tape.
- Children need to arrive at school in PE kit on PE days.

# Things to remember

**Reading diaries** will be collected every Friday and children who have read four times will receive three house points.

**The following items need to be in school every day.**

- Water bottles
- Reading diary and reading book
- A healthy snack from home is optional (eg fruit, veg sticks etc).

**Please ensure all belongings are clearly named.**

# Other Important Information

**Absence:** A phone call to the office is needed for each session or lateness. 48 hours is required for sickness. A form should be completed for requests of future absence from school. Minor coughs and colds should not prevent your child from coming in to school.

**Nuts:** Due to nut allergies in school please do not send any form of nuts in your child's lunchbox.

**Break time snacks:** these are still provided - if you choose to send in a snack it should be fruit or veg.

**Headlice:** If your child has an itchy head, please let us know so we can issue the standard nit letter. Keeping hair tied back helps!

# Questions or concerns

**Any questions?**

**If you feel it will take more than a minute or two, please make an appointment after school so we can discuss it properly.**