

Welcome to Year 2!

I hope you have all had a wonderfully relaxing summer holiday and are well rested and ready to jump into this new year! I am very excited to get to know your child and share lots of adventures together this year!

We are very lucky to be supported by Ms. Osborne who works with us in class on Tuesdays, Thursdays all day and Wednesday mornings. She will offer in class support and also deliver some interventions. On Thursday afternoons, Mrs Williams will lead our learning in PE.

Reading

Reading is a vital skill for progressing your child's learning. We change our books on a Friday but please ensure your child has their books and diaries in school every day as guided and individual reading sessions occur throughout the week. A reminder that the expectation is for every child to read at least 3 times to an adult at home each week. Stickers for our whole school 'Read Around the World' challenge will be given out weekly based on the number of home reads each child has done. If your child reads their books before we come to change them, please encourage them to re-read these for further understanding and increased fluency or, alternatively, select books from Frodsham Library to extend their reading across different genres. It is more important that the children fully comprehend what they are reading as well as being able to answer questions about the text rather than race through them. However, most important of all is that they are enjoying their reading and successfully accessing a wide range of material.

Homework

English and maths homework will be given out alternatively on a Friday and is due in on the following Wednesday. This will focus on consolidating foundational writing and number skills. The children will also have continued access to some online platforms to support these skills, such as TTRockstars. Any log ins required to access these sites will be stuck in the children's homework book.

PE

PE takes place on a Thursday afternoon. Please ensure your child has a full, named PE kit in school every day in case of hall swaps. PE kit should include appropriate footwear (pumps for indoor activities and trainers for outdoor activities), a jumper (weather dependent) and, for girls, spare socks if they tend to wear tights. Long hair should always be tied back but this is especially important for PE and earrings must be removed. If your child cannot do this independently, please ensure this is done before school.

Water bottles

Children learn best when they are well hydrated, so please could you ensure your child has a named water bottle in school every day. They will have opportunities to refill these at the water fountain throughout the day.

Celebrations

It is always a pleasure to hear what the children are up to at home and especially what they are achieving and are proud of through any out of school activities. Please encourage the children to share these events with us by bringing in their certificates/medals/trophies, etc, for our weekly Show and Tell sessions which will run on Fridays. We will photograph these to put on our class wall and then send them back home with the children. They are also welcome to share

anything that links to our learning across the curriculum, eg, artefacts, books, etc. (No toys please!)

Trips

We hope to attend lots of exciting educational visits throughout the year to link in with our learning across the curriculum. One particular highlight is our residential trip to Foxhowl Centre in Delamere on the 27-28th May 2027. This is a super opportunity for the children to explore the local forest and to spend time together, including an overnight stay. If you ask any of the children who have previously been they will all tell you just how much fun it is. It would be lovely to have all of this year's class with us. Based on previous years, we approximate the cost to be around £125, but once final costs are confirmed, we will let you know when it is possible to start paying towards this using parent pay.

Worries

As ever, I am always happy to discuss any worries, concerns or general queries you may have. Due to the time constraints, we ask that only vital messages are passed on at the start and end of the day. You can always contact me via email or by telephoning the school office and we can arrange a mutually convenient time for a chat to discuss any other issues.

Meet the Teacher

There will be a meet the teacher meeting on Monday 14th September at 5pm where there will be a short talk about information for the year ahead and an opportunity to see your child's classroom and ask any questions you may have.

Here's to a happy and productive year!
Best wishes, Mrs Edge.