



BLEAK HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Year Ahead Information
September 2023

Welcome to Year 2

Class Teachers

- Mrs Griffin - 2G
- Mr Jackson – 2J
- Mrs Williams- 2W

Learning Assistants

- Mrs Larsen- 2G
- Mrs Barton – 2J
- Miss Moore and Mrs Foreman- 2W

Welcome to Year 2

Additional Adults

- Mrs Hemingway
- Mrs Marsden
- Miss Sharples
- Future Gym Coaches

Subject Coverage

Our half termly focus areas.

Continents and Oceans

Kenya!

Field work on the Local Area

The Great Fire of London!

Nurses

Explorers and Travel

Curriculum Overview

Year 2	Autumn A	Autumn B	Spring A	Spring B	Summer A	Summer B
English	The Day the Crayons Quit Character Description Letter Poetry	Vlad and the Florence Nightingale Adventure Character Description Setting Description Narrative	The Three Little Wolves and The Big Bad Pig Character Description Setting Description Narrative	Vlad and The Great Fire of London Diary Entry Non-Chronological report Eyewitness report	Traction Man Instructions Letter Narrative	Jim and the Beanstalk Letter Narrative
Class Novel	The Owl Who Was Afraid of The Dark	Snow White and the Seven Aliens	Mr Majieka	Dirty Bertie	The Giraffe and the Pelly and Me Fantastic Mr Fox	Flat Stanley
Maths White Rose Overview	Number: Place Value Number: Addition and Subtraction Geometry: Shape		Measurement: Money Number: Multiplication and Division Measurement: Length and Height Measurement: Mass, Capacity and Temperature		Number: Fractions Measurement: Time Statistics Geometry: Position and Direction Problem Solving	
Science	Uses of Everyday materials	The Environment	Animals including Humans	Living Things and their habitats	Plants	Super Scientists
History		Great Fire of London		Nurses		Explorers and Travel
Geography	The Seven Continents and Five Oceans		Kenya		Fieldwork on a local area	
Art & Design		Textiles Yinka Shonibare		Painting/ Portraits Vincent Van Gogh, Rembrandt		Sculpture Anthony Gormley
Design & Technology	Food Technology Dips and Dippers		Textiles Fabric Bunting		Mechanism/Structure Tudor Houses	
PSHE	Being Me in My World	Celebrating Difference	Dreams and Goals	Healthy Me	Relationships	Changing Me
Religious Education	Christianity God	Christianity Jesus	Hindu Dharma	Islam	Christianity Church	Judaism

Music	Charanga Exploring Simple Patterns	Christmas Nativity Charanga Dynamics and tempo	Charanga Exploring feelings through music	Charanga Inventing a musical story	Charanga Music that makes you dance	Charanga Exploring and improvisation
Computing	Unit 2.2 - Online Safety - 2 weeks Unit 2.7 - Making music - 3 weeks Unit 2.6 - Creating pictures - 5 weeks		Unit 2.3 - Spreadsheets - 4 weeks plus Year 1 unit Unit 2.1 - Coding - 5 weeks		Unit 2.4 - Questioning - 5 weeks Unit 2.8 - Presenting Ideas - 5 weeks Unit 2.5 - Effective Searching - 3 weeks	
E-Safety	Purple Mash Unit 2.2 Online Safety	NOS Self-Image and Identity And NOS Online Relationships	NOS Online Reputation	NOS Online Bullying	NOS Managing Online Information And NOS Health, Wellbeing and Lifestyle	NOS Privacy and Security And NOS Copyright and Ownership
Physical Education	Sending and Receiving And Ball Skills	Yoga And CM - Dance	Fitness And Gymnastics	Team Building And Dance	Net and Wall And Athletics	Invasion And Striking and Fielding
Significant People of interest	Cool Creators - Vivienne Westwood		Super Scientists - Mary Seacole and Florence Nightingale		Exciting Explorers and Freedom Fighters - Amelia Earhart	

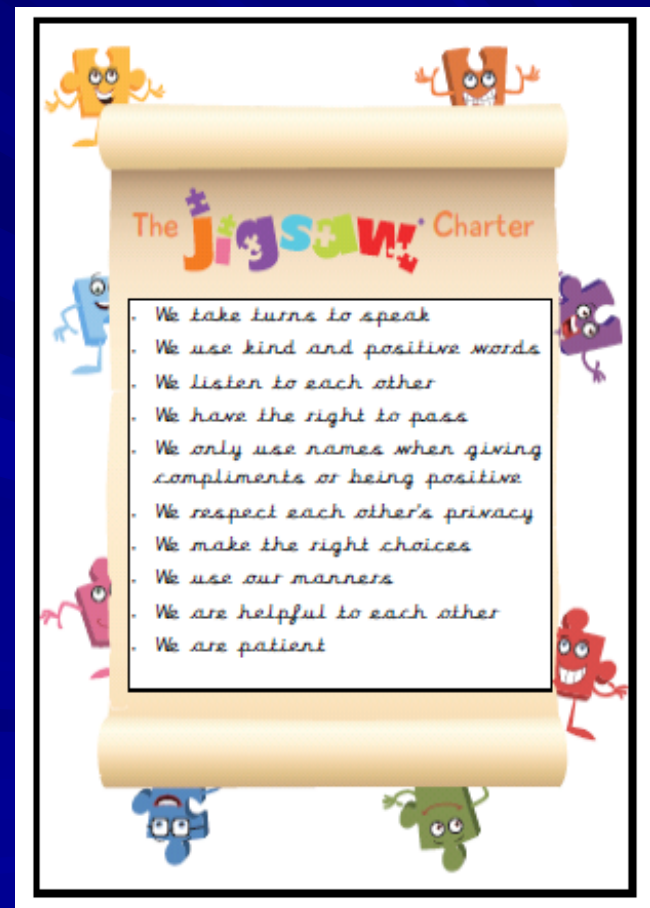
Behaviour

As part of our PSHCE and Jigsaw lessons we have created our Class Charter to make the classroom a safe and happy place to learn.



Rewards

1. Praise
2. Stickers
3. Merit Awards
4. House Points
5. Stars All Around Us Book
6. Share work with Mrs Lawrenson and Mr Dagnall



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Year 2 arrive between 08:45am – 9:00am

Year 2 go home at 3:20pm

Reading in Year 2

■ Whole Class Reading

The children will have daily reading lessons where they will be taught new skills and encouraged to apply them during their guided reading sessions and at home. The following reading skills will be covered.



Predict

Predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far.



Retrieve

Identify and explain key aspects of fiction and non-fiction text, such as characters, events, titles and information.



Infer

Make inferences from the text.



Sequence

Identify and explain the sequence of events in texts.



Visualise

Identify and explain the sequence of events in texts.



Question

Draw on knowledge of vocabulary to understand texts.



Clarify

Identify and explain key aspects of fiction and non-fiction text, such as characters, events, titles and information.



Vocabulary

Draw on knowledge of vocabulary to understand texts.

Reading in Year 2 Continued

■ Phonics and Reading

Two Phonics books will be sent home every week, one will be an unseen text sent home on a **Monday**. The other book will have been read in class, recorded in their reading diary and will be sent home on a **Friday**. When reading at home please include any comments in the reading diary and please return to school **daily**.

PLEASE ensure children bring their reading book and diary to school every day.

Children will also bring home a book from the library which can be shared together.



Reading in Year 2 Continued



■ Reading Comprehension/Accelerated Reader

When the children have completed the Read Write Inc. programme, they will move onto Read Write Inc. Comprehension. These lessons will be taught in school and the children will begin to choose their own reading books from the library. In order to choose an appropriate book, the children will complete a Star quiz on Accelerated Reader. This will provide them with their library code.

When the children are confident with their reading book, they can take a comprehension style quiz on Accelerated Reader to assess their understanding. When they pass the quiz, they can go to the library to choose a new book.

P.E

- P.E in Year 2 will be on a **Monday and Thursday**.
- The children **MUST** arrive in their P.E kit.

P.E Kit

- Outdoor kit – plain tracksuit/hoodie/joggers
- Trainers – no laces unless they can independently tie them
- P.E t-shirt in their house colour team

Homework



This year we will be setting homework via Purple Mash on a Friday and this should be completed by the following Thursday.

There will be a variety of activities to complete each week on Purple Mash.

<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/bleakhill>

Spellings and Maths will be available on Purple Mash as a quiz.

Homework

Reading

As part of the Year 2 homework, we expect children to be reading daily and this needs to be recorded in their new Reading Diary.

Spellings

The children will learn a new spelling rule each week. On Fridays, a quiz will be set on Purple Mash 2Dos for the children to complete by the following Thursday.

Maths

The children will have a Maths quiz set on Purple Mash 2Dos on a Friday, to be completed by the following Thursday. We also encourage the children to use TTRockstars on a regular basis.

Year 2 Assessment

Termly Assessments:

- Reading
- Mathematics
- Writing
- Grammar and Spelling

This assessment will be very similar to class work and the children will be unaware it is an assessment.

End of Key Stage 1 Assessment

- Reading
- Writing
- GAPS Test
- Mathematics

Any Other Information

- Water Bottles - sports cap and **water only**.
- Healthy Snacks (plastic bags only no tubs) - for playtime or toast (please order through School Spider every half term).
- Jewellery - No jewellery to be worn
- Contact information - Please keep up to date.
- We are asking you to contact staff via the Bleak Hill email, if required. bleakhillparents@sthelens.org.uk