



Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter - Autumn 1

English

In English our text is Paddington. We will be learning how to write sentences including all the things we learnt in Y1 (capital letters, finger spaces, full stops and conjunctions). We will learn about noun phrases and imperative verbs and try to use these in our writing. We will be writing postcards, a lost poster, instructions, a character description, book reviews, alternative story endings and acrostic poetry. The children will continue to develop their reading through Phonics.

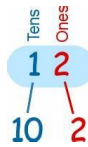


Maths

In Maths we will be learning about numbers to 100. We will be comparing and ordering them, placing them on a number line and thinking about how they differ. Please practice counting forwards and backwards within 100 starting at different numbers.

We will learn how to partition two digit numbers into tens and ones, e.g. 43 splits into 40 and 3. We will use mathematical vocabulary to compare numbers.

We will use what we have learnt to solve problems.



Religion

In Religion we will be thinking about beginnings. We will be learning about the creation story and hear how God was there at the very beginning and in our own new beginnings in life (e.g. starting school, starting new clubs etc) - we ask for courage in our new beginnings.

We will learn about Baptism, particularly the signs and symbols of Baptism.



Geography and Science

Our topic this half term is 'Where in the World are We?' We will learn to name the continents and oceans of the world. We will think about our own place in the world and locate the UK and its 4 countries on a map. We will think about north, south, east and west and think how this might help us locate continents on map.

In Science we will be learning about animals (including humans), what they need to survive and how to be healthy.

We have an open door policy, any questions please do catch us in the morning/afternoon pick up or via dojo. We try to access dojo messages daily, this is usually during lunchtimes or immediately before/after school due to teaching.

PE

In 2C our PE days are **Wednesday** and **Thursday**. Please send children to school in their kit on these days.



Forest School

Our 10 week forest school block is this half term. Forest school is on **Mondays**, please ensure children are dressed appropriately to explore our forest area.



Reading Books

Reading books are changed on **Fridays**. The children will bring home;

1. A paper book they have already read in school with focus sounds.
2. A new book covering the same sounds.
3. A library book for an adult to read to them.

Please encourage your child to read little and often. 5-10 minutes **every night** built into your routine will really support the children on their reading journey. Please sign each day in your child's reading record to confirm they have read at home.

Mrs Cartwright & Mrs Waite



The **MORE** that you read,
the **MORE** things you will know.
The **MORE** that you **LEARN**,
the **MORE** places you'll go.



We recommend...

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Reading

Setting a Routine

We expect children to read in school and at home every day. Please sign in your child's reading journal each day to confirm they have read at home. Remember reading little and often is best and reading doesn't have to be the whole book, you could try this;

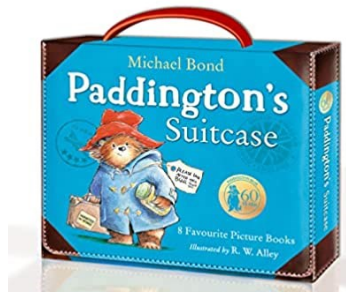
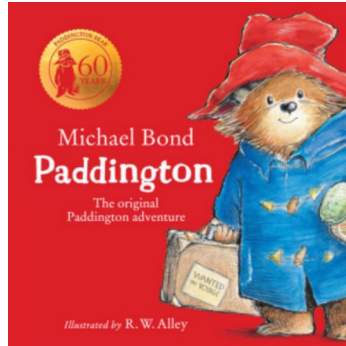
Monday - sounds recap and green story words

Tuesday - speedy reading green and red words

Wednesday - read book

Thursday - read book

Friday - share library book



Spelling

Setting a Routine

In Year 2 we will send home weekly spellings, this will revise what they have learnt in Year 1 and introduce Year 2 spellings. We practice these in school and ask for parents to practice at home too.

In your reading folder (to be sent out next Friday) will be a summary of year 1 and year 2 common exception words. Please work on reading these words before spelling them independently. Even though we do test spellings it's important children can spell them in sentences too!

Check out these flashcards which have both words, sentences and games ideas to help your child learn these words.



To help your child in Maths this term please check they can recognise all two digit numbers up to 100, both in numbers and words.

Count forwards and backwards within 100 starting at any number!

