



Friday 8 September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 2. We hope you had an enjoyable and restful summer - we are delighted to welcome the children back to Year 2. We will be hosting a 'Coffee Morning', where we will explain more about the year ahead and be able to discuss any questions from parents regarding the curriculum. *The date for this will be sent out in the coming weeks.*

### Reading

Reading books will continue to be sent home and can be changed on Tuesdays and Fridays. We expect all children to read daily with an adult and this should be logged in their yellow Reading Record. Phonics lessons will resume across KS1 once the children have been assessed and grouped. The children will be bringing home a Phonics book each week to share.

### Writing

In Year 2 we will be continuing to develop their writing and will be encouraging them to:

- Form and use upper and lower case letters correctly and begin to join their handwriting
- Apply their phonics knowledge to spell unfamiliar words accurately in their writing
- Use a variety of punctuation such as: full stops, capital letters, question marks, exclamation marks, commas, and speech marks.
- Accurately spell the Year 2 Common exception Words in their writing
- Develop and extend their ideas by using a range of description and conjunctions

### Maths

This term we will focus on:

- Place value – understanding the value and composition of 2-digit numbers
- Addition and Subtraction – using tens and ones to represent calculations
- Money – recognising British currency and using this knowledge to solve problems.
- Multiplication – using arrays and grouping
- Division – using sharing and grouping

### Computing

This term we will be learning about:

- E- Safety
- Code using 2Code

## **Religious Education**

This term we will be focusing on:

- Lifestyles and celebrations – Hinduism and Christianity
- Harvest (Why we are thankful)
- Festivals of Light – Judaism, Hinduism and Christianity

## **Topic**

We will be focusing on:

- Geographical Skills
- Magical mapping - naming key cities in the UK, know the 7 continents, locate some countries around the world

## **Science**

We will be learning about:

- Living things and their habitats

## **Art**

In Art, the children will have the opportunity to use a range of media to express themselves. We will be learning about and taking inspiration from a variety of artists and their work.

## **PE**

P.E lessons for both classes will be on Monday (inside) and Thursday (outside) afternoons. A reminder that the children should come to school in their PE kits on these days. Children need to ensure they are dressed appropriately to go outside.

## **Homework**

In Year 2 homework will include:

- Daily reading
- Spelling practice
- Times tables practise

The children will also be tested on their spellings on a weekly basis.

## **End of day arrangements**

If there are any changes to the person who is collecting your child, please ensure that you let us know. This can be done by emailing the school office or letting us know at drop off time.

## Behaviour Management

Children will be awarded dojo points for making good choices, trying their best, or treating others with kindness and respect. We will also be encouraging the children to work on a whole class target to achieve golden time.

In Year 2, we will be using the red and yellow card system. Children will be given a yellow card as a warning before being given a red card if poor behaviour continues. Following this, children will attend a values workshop where they will have the opportunity to reflect on showing the school values.

## Class Dojo

We will now be using **Class Dojo** as a key method of communication. We would really appreciate it if you could sign up to class dojo to receive notifications, messages and pictures. Do not hesitate to contact the class teacher via email if you would like a new class code. You should have received an email regarding this.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any concerns. We are available most days before and after school or alternatively you can make an appointment through the office if this is not convenient. As mentioned above, we are also available via Seesaw's messaging service and the school email ([admin@spps.foliotrust.uk](mailto:admin@spps.foliotrust.uk)) . We look forward to working with your children and meeting you all in due course.

Kind regards,

Year 2 Team

Class	Teachers	TA
2SK	Mrs Smith- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Ms Kirkwood- Thursday, Friday	Mrs Burrow
2AP	Miss Adams- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday Mrs Pullen- Friday	Mrs Wilson