

5 September 2025

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 Afternoon' on Friday 12th September at 2.45-3.15pm, where we will explain more about the year ahead and be able to discuss any questions from parents regarding the curriculum.

### **Reading**

Class reading books will continue to be sent home and will be changed on 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 on Monday 8th September. 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
- Shape - identifying and describing the properties of 2D and 3D shapes

### **Computing**

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In computing, we will be learning about online safety, coding and writing instructions to move a screen turtle along routes using 2Go platform, and understanding what the internet is.

## **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

## **Geography**

In geography, we will be learning and applying a range of geographical skills through our topic 'What is life like in Tanzania?' including learning the continents of the world and exploring the human and physical features of Tanzania.

## **Science**

This term, our topic will be 'Living things and their habitats' which will include an introduction to adaptation and food chains.

## **Art**

In Art, the children will have the opportunity to explore drawing techniques and create self-portraits. We will be learning about Cubism and taking inspiration from the work of Pablo Picasso.

## **PE**

In PE, we will be focusing on Multiskills. PE lessons for both classes will be on Wednesday mornings (inside) and Thursday afternoons (outside) . 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- 2, 5 and 10 x

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

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## 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 continue to use **Class Dojo** as a key method of communication. We would really appreciate it if you could ensure that you have signed 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.

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 Class Dojo's messaging service and the school email ([admin@st-petersprimary.co.uk](mailto:admin@st-petersprimary.co.uk)). We look forward to working with your children and meeting you all in due course.

Kind regards,

Year 2 Team

Class	Teachers	TA
2M	Mrs Martin- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Mrs McDonald- Thursday, Friday	Mrs Burrow
2K	Mrs Kwok	Mrs Burrow

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