

HELPING AT HOME

School crams as much as possible into the school day however there is much you can do at home to help and support your child's learning. Research shows that when school and home work together and children are supported in their learning at home, they do better academically than those children who solely rely on school.

Reading

Please hear your child read from their reading book at least three times a week. In addition to this, your child will bring home a 'reading for pleasure book' which can be read by you and shared with your children. Every week, you will also receive an email from your child's Read Write Inc teacher with links to the reading and spelling for the speed sound they have learnt in school that week. Please give your child time to watch these videos to help support us with their phonics lessons.

By the end of Year 2, your child will be expected to read and spell the Year 2 common exception words.

Maths

This year, children will be starting to count in groups of 2s, 5s and 10s. We will shortly be sending out log ins to a website called 'Times Table Rockstars'. Children can access this at home and earn special awards.

PE DAYS—Please ensure your child comes in the correct PE kit and NOT own clothes. PE kit—Plain white t shirt, with or without collar, with or without logo. Navy, black, grey leggings or jogging bottoms. Navy sweatshirt, with or without logo. A pair of plimsoles WITHOUT black soles to be kept IN school, in a pump bag for indoor PE. A pair of sensible trainers to be worn for school on outdoor PE days. A pair of navy, black, grey shorts for indoor PE days.



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Year 2

Parent Information Leaflet

Robin Class—Miss Stevenson

Owl Class—Miss Johns-Pemberton

Otter Class—Miss Carlyle and Miss Hughes

Band Leader—Miss Stevenson

Assistant Headteacher for KS1—
Mrs O'Shaughnessy

Deputy Headteacher—Mrs Parry
Executive Headteacher—Mr Forber

This term is an important one for your child and **every day counts**. We will be revisiting any missed learning from Year 1 to ensure all gaps are filled. In December, children will be sitting a phonics test so we will be working really hard with the children to prepare for this. We have lots of exciting things coming up too!

IMPORTANT DAYS AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

PE DAYS

Robin: Wednesday and Friday

Otter: Wednesday and Friday

Owl: Wednesday and Friday

Please ensure your child has their full PE kit in on the above days.

TRIPS / VISITS / EVENTS:

Walk of the local area

Food tasting 'around the world'

Zoo trip 3.11.21

Cinema trip 15.11.21

Pizza making

COMMUNICATION

If you wish to talk to the teacher about anything please do so; often small issues can be quickly resolved, if we know about them. If the class teacher has been unable to solve the problem the next person to speak to is the Band Leader and then the Assistant Headteacher.

Please read **newsletter** to keep informed about what is happening in school. Important information is shared on here. Check the website if your child hasn't brought one home or follow the link on the weekly text message .

CURRICULUM—What your child will be learning

English

We will be reading *The Bog Baby* and *The Night Gardener* in English. We will be writing golden sentences that begin with a capital letter, end with a full stop and make sense and working on improving our handwriting in a pre cursive style. We will also be using adjectives to improve our writing.

Maths

We will be looking at the place value of numbers up to 100 and counting forwards and backwards. We will be comparing numbers and objects and using place value charts and part whole models to look at numbers as tens and ones.

Religious Education

We will be looking at the Christmas story.

Physical Education

We will be doing gymnastics, dance and games.

Science

This term we will be looking at living things and their habitats.

PHSCE

We will be following the 'Jigsaw' scheme and starting with 'Being in my world'.

Our theme in Autumn is 'Where in the world?'

We will be mainly working as geographers starting with learning about our local area, looking at maps and locating our school. We will be carrying out a traffic survey and thinking about our likes and dislikes of our local area. We will move onto looking at the characteristics of the four countries in the UK, their capital cities and their surrounding seas. We will also be thinking about the equator and the different weather patterns around the UK. We will go on a journey around the world food tasting and completing a 'food passport'. We will taste different foods, locate the continents on a map and listen to music from the different continents.

Children will also be working as artists to study Van Gogh and create artwork similar to his styles. We will look at some of his most famous paintings. We will be using clay to make sea turtles.

In DT, we will be investigating, designing and making our own pizzas.

In Music, we are looking at the pulse and beat of a song and will be making our own rainforest compositions.