Welcome to Year Two

We hope you find the information below useful. Please let us know if you have any questions we may not have answered.

Year Two Curriculum

The curriculum map for the year, can be found on the school website.

https://www.bagshot.surrey.sch.uk/for-parents-carers/curriculum/ It may change as the term develops and we find out whether the activities we have planned are possible in our new routine, but we will keep you informed of changes in 'The Peek at the Week' sent weekly.

P.E.

Cedar Class have P.E. on Mondays and Tuesdays; Holly Class on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure that P.E. kit is in school on a Monday, ready for the week. All kit should be clearly named.

Reading/Reading records

Guided reading takes place every day in Year 2. The children will either read in small groups with an adult or complete reading tasks based around a shared text on other days.

We encourage reading/sharing books with children at home. This is a vital part of the development of their reading skills, alongside their individual reading books. We would like reading records to be signed at least three times a week by an adult, although daily reading for about ten minutes is expected. If the children read five times in a week, they receive a star for their chart which goes towards a reading award. If you have shared a story with your child, please write about it in the reading record. We would love to hear all about the book, even though your child may not have read it themselves.

Homework

Spelling homework will go home on Fridays to be completed by the next Friday. The words are chosen to meet the requirements of Year 2, Appendix 1 in the National Curriculum https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/239784/English_Appendix_1 - Spelling.pdf although some children may need some reinforcement of the requirements for Year One. Children are encouraged to learn their spellings using a 'Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check' method on a daily basis in their spelling homework book. They are also expected to write 'spelling sentences' or a 'spelling story' which demonstrate that they know the meanings of the words. The children will be tested on how well they have remembered their spellings, on Fridays. We will record which words they spelt correctly, in their spelling homework books, so that you can see how they got on in the test. Please remember to send the spelling homework books in on Fridays.

Reading and Writing homework is a selection of tasks to be completed over the course of the term and can be found in your child's homework book.

Children are to choose and complete **either** a reading or a writing task on alternate weeks over the term. (six writing and six reading tasks). Parents are asked to sign/give details on the parent record sheets. Please do not feel you have to race through these tasks; one a week is plenty.

Maths homework will be set fortnightly and will reflect the topics covered over the previous two weeks.

Please send the homework books to school on **Mondays** so that they can be marked ready to go home again early in the week.

End of year expectations (SATs)

You can find the end of year expectations for Year Two children, on our school website here: https://www.bagshot.surrey.sch.uk/for-parents-carers/curriculum/

The children will have an arithmetic paper, a mathematical reasoning paper and two reading papers. The papers will be marked using scaled scoring and result in confirmation of meeting a national standard. Writing will be assessed by the teacher. Assessment tests will be taken in May 2021 (unless we are advised of any changes to the timetable for this cohort of Year 2 children who missed the summer term of Year One). The SATs tests form only part of our teacher assessment of the children's achievements at the end of Year Two. Classwork, homework and home reading are all important components of the teacher assessment process, which is why we ask you to complete details of homework completed and daily reading.

Contact with teacher

A 'Peek at the Week' will be sent each Monday giving parents details of work/activities that week. Please feel free to contact Year Two staff at any time with any queries you may have.

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