Year 2 Meet The Teacher

Rabbits – Mrs Lambourn, Mrs Hall and Mrs Walland (TA)

Woodpeckers – Miss Johnson and Miss Richardson (TA)

Owls- Miss Fuller and Miss West (TA)

Start and Finish Times

- 8:40am gates and classrooms open.
 (Registration closed at 8:55am)
- 3:10pm pick up time.
- 4:20pm club finish time.

Before and After School Provision

- Before school Entry Via the Arts Centre
- WASPs (Paid for breakfast provision.) 7:30am 8:40am (Children taken to classrooms)
- Free Breakfast club 8:00am -8:40am (Children taken to classrooms)
- After School
- Clubs- have limited spaces. 3:20pm 4:20pm collection from allocated place.
- WASPs (Paid for afterschool provision.) from 3:20pm 6:30pm-collection form Arts centre.
- More information about WASPs can be found on the school website under the 'Wrap Around Care' section.

Morning Routines

- Children arrive any time between 8.40 and 8:55 and take out their book (and any letters) from their book bag, put coats and lunch boxes away independently.
- Morning work (number bonds or times tables/ handwriting)
- Register
- If you have something important that needs passing on please speak to the teacher or TA in your child's class.

Uniform Expectations

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- Grey/black shorts/trouser/skirts/pinafore (or green gingham)
- White polo t-shirt/shirt
- Green jumper/cardigan/fleece
- Black shoes.

PE

- Blue/Black shorts/tracksuit bottoms/leggings
- White t-shirt/polo
- Blue/Black Jumper/tracksuit top.
- Trainers.

Forest school

- Long sleeve top
- Long trousers
- Wellies
- Waterproof top and bottoms/all in one.

Phonics

- We are continuing to use Read Write Inc.
- Sessions are differentiated for your child's ability.
- Research shows that high quality phonic work is essential to improving the teaching of early reading and writing.
- Children who did not pass the phonics screening check will re-take this at a later point this year.



What can you do to help your child with their reading?

- In year 2 we have a stronger focus on understanding a text.
- We encourage 10-15 minutes quiet reading time at home everyday with no distractions.
- Make reading enjoyable. Sit together and try not to pressurise if he or she is reluctant.

More reading tips!

- If your child mispronounces a word allow time for self-correction.
- To maintain the flow of the reading it is sometimes necessary to tell your child an unknown word rather than insisting they sound out and read every word on their own.
- If your child does try to sound out a word encourage the use of letter sounds rather than alphabet names.
- Boost your child's confidence with constant praise even for the smallest achievements in their reading.
- Children should read a variety of texts not just their school reading books.
 This can include magazines, comics, information books or picture books and these can be recorded in their reading record too.

Talk about books

- There is more to being a good reader than just being able to read the words accurately. Just as important is being able to understand what has been read.
- You need to work with your child to help them develop good comprehension skills.
- To develop your child's comprehension skills ensure you ask them lots of questions before, during and after you read with them. There are some example questions in the front of your child's reading books.

Reading Books

- Children will be bringing home a book from the library for the next few weeks, whilst we assess their reading level.
- Use this time to read for pleasure.
- Once we have assessed the children they will be bringing home a RWI book. This will match their phonics group at school.

In school children read in many ways

- In shared reading as a class.
- In their Read Write Inc lessons.
- Individually to a Teacher, Teaching Assistant or helper.



Assessment

- We assess your child's reading ability, based on previous records and present performance, on a regular basis.
- This takes into account their comprehension and enjoyment, as well as word recognition.
- Year 2 SATS are no longer compulsory. We will assess your children using a mixture of teacher and formal assessment.
 This is in place across the school already.



Homework

- A new topic for homework will be set at the beginning of each term.
- There will be a different focus each week.
- If children want to find out more and do extra that is great.
- Homework is due in every Monday. Books will be handed out on a Tuesday starting from tomorrow.

Times Tables

- Children are expected to know their 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables by the time they leave Year 2.
- We will start with number bonds to ten and twenty and then progress through the times tables starting with the 2's.
- Children will have a times table test every Friday morning.

More Times tables

- If they achieve full marks in their test two times (to show consistency) they will be moved to the next set of tables to learn.
- Children will practise their tables in school but we would encourage you to also practise with your children at home.

P.E

- Our P.E days will be staying the same.
- Children come into school in their P.E kit now on their allocated
 P.E days. These are:

Owls – Wednesday and Friday

Rabbits – Wednesday and Friday

Woodpeckers – Friday

PE Kit Reminder:

- Blue/Black shorts/tracksuit bottoms/leggings
- White t-shirt/polo
- Blue/Black Jumper/tracksuit top.
- Trainers.
- Long hair needs to be tied back. Their earrings need to be removed before school unless they are able to do it themselves.
- Mr Collins and Mrs Stone will be teaching some of your child's P.E sessions this year.
- Year 2 children will be offered swimming "taster sessions" towards the end of the year. Mr Collins will contact you with more information nearer the time.

Forest School

- Forest School sessions will be rotated throughout the year so that all children can access it. We will send out a new timetable at the end of each term for the following term.
- Woodpeckers are currently attending Forest School sessions on a Wednesday in Term 1.
- Mrs Mortimer will be running our Forest School sessions.
- Forest school Clothing
- Long sleeve top
- Long trousers
- Wellies
- Waterproof top and bottoms/all in one.

Thank you for coming!

Any questions?

