



St Saviour's CE Primary School

Year 2 Class Newsletter Term 1 2024-25

Dear Year 2 Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 2! We are excited to be starting this year with your child.

Homework:

Reading for Pleasure Books- Your child can choose a new book each day, if they would like

Phonics reading books- send these into school daily, as we will be using them with your child


Reading records- please record the reading you do with your child and at home. This is also a great place to ask the Year Two team any questions you have related to reading

Mathletics- Log in information will be shared and homework set weekly on Mathletics.

Project- This term we will be doing a project focusing on books we read over the holidays. The project will be set on Google Classroom.

PE Days: PE will take place on Mondays and Fridays. Please ensure your child is in their PE kit, appropriate shoes and seasonally appropriate clothing and outerwear, as we will be outside for most of these lessons.

Trips: We will have regular class trips throughout the year. We will be going on a class trip to the National Portrait Gallery later this term. Information about this trip will be shared via Arbor.

Subject	What the children will be learning
English Theme: A Twist in the Tale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Texts:  • Writing Focuses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Adjectives ○ Planning writing ○ Writing for purpose ○ Sequel story creation • Class book for pleasure: The Twits
Phonics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revising Phase 5 phonics sounds(phonemes) • Rare alternative spellings of phonemes • Prefixes and Suffixes: -s, -es, -ing, -ed, -er, -est, un- • Contractions, what they are and reading them • Please see the school website for examples of how to pronounce each sound
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Place Value • Addition and Subtraction • 2D shapes • Ordinal numbers
Science What are the uses of everyday materials?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify different materials and their uses • Understand how to select the right materials to build a bridge • Explore and test the stretchiness of materials • Understanding materials can change their shape twisting, bending, squashing or stretching • Learn about Charles Macintosh and explore how materials are suitable for different purposes



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discover which materials change shape when making a road with John MacAdam
RE Why are they having a party? (Judaism)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Why are they having a party?• What is Rosh Hashanah?• What is Yom Kippur?• Why are they having another Jewish party? (Sukkot) What are the Jewish people remembering?• What are the Jewish people celebrating at their festival of Hanukkah?
Geography Can you compare contrasting localities?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How can we locate places through human and physical geography?• What is the food in Mugurrameno and how does it compare to us?• How do we and the people of Mugurrameno make use of animals?• What is daily life like in Mugurrameno?• Use of maps, atlases, globes, a compass• Identifying continents, countries, oceans, human and physical geography features• Compare our local environment to Mugurrameno Zambia
Art Drawing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Portraits• Using different media (e.g. charcoal and chalk, oil pastels)• Using a mirror – Observing facial features and practising detail.• Shading• Famous Portraits: Kahlo, Rembrandt, Van Gogh, Freud, Gauguin, Raphael, Picasso
PE Attack, Defend, Shoot	PE days: Mondays and Fridays Children need to come in wearing their PE kit, either shorts or trousers (weather depending) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Key skills: kicking, stopping the ball with the foot, ball control, bounce a ball to send, pass and shoot, basketball style dribbling, passing forward to shoot
PSHE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What does it mean to be healthy?• All about my feelings• Money, Shopping and Saving
Computing IT Around Us	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is IT?• IT in school• IT in the world• The benefits of IT• Using IT safely• Using IT in different ways
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Singing in Rounds / Playground songs• Traditional Tale songs & games• Solfege: singing & boomwhackers – C scale• IT: Playxylo.com (compare with boomwhackers)

Best wishes,

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