



Welcome to Year 2

# Teaching Staff

Key Stage Leader - Miss Sutcliffe

2CM - Miss Mac Millan

2TM - Miss McDonnell

# General reminders

- ❖ Children need to come to school in their school uniform with black shoes.
- ❖ Arriving promptly. The gates will close at 8:50.
- ❖ Being even 5 minutes late really adds up and children miss out on valuable learning time.
- ❖ Pick up at 3pm. Gates will close at 3:10pm



# Attendance

- ❖ It is very important that children attend school every day.
- ❖ If COVID19 symptoms are present.  
You must isolate and get tested!
- ❖ Absences mean children miss out on important learning and quickly fall behind.
- ❖ No holidays in term time!



# Lunches



- ❖ Currently Packed lunches may be ordered each week.
- ❖ These lunches are free for children in Key Stage 1.
- ❖ Remember to send your child's lunch order form by Wednesday for the following week.
- ❖ If you choose to send in a packed lunch from home, please ensure your child has a healthy and balanced lunch.
- ❖ Please ensure your child brings their own water bottle to school everyday.

# PE

- ❖ Your child needs an appropriate PE kit in school every day. If it is taken home on Friday to wash, it must come back to school on Monday.
- ❖ For indoor, black shorts and a white t-shirt. For outdoor black tracksuit bottoms, a sweatshirt, socks and trainers.
- ❖ PE days are Wednesday and Friday.



# Reading

- ❖ We follow the Read Write Inc. phonics program - this allows for children to take part in a 40 min Phonics lesson everyday. During this lesson children learn new sounds, read, spell and write.
- ❖ Currently we are doing eight phonics lessons each week.
- ❖ Children will bring home a reading book which is linked to their phonics group and soon an extra book to enjoy.
- ❖ These will be changed three times a week so children build confidence and understanding.



# Writing

This term our theme is Up, Up and Away.  
All of our writing lessons are based around our weekly stories about flight.

The children are encouraged to write independently and for a variety of purposes.

In your child's book bag you will find a leaflet informing you of the expectations for writing in year 2.



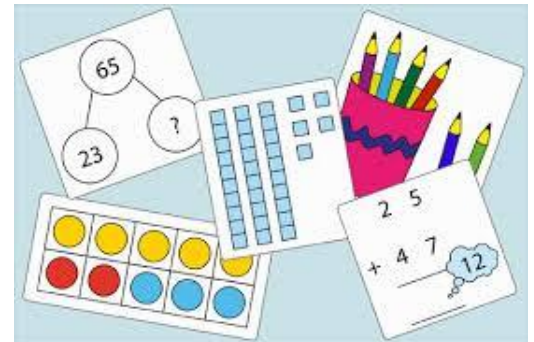
# Maths

We follow a Maths Mastery approach in Year 2.

The aim is to give children a firmer understanding of each area so they can apply their knowledge in different ways.

Our lessons follow the sequence of:

Fluency  
Variation  
Reasoning  
Problem solving



# Learning for Life and Metacognition.

- ❖ Metacognition develops resilience and encourages the children to persevere even when things are tricky.
- ❖ Learning for Life will provide the children with wider opportunities and experiences. This half term we are focusing on returning to school after the upheaval of the last few months.

# Wider Curriculum

- ❖ The emphasis at the beginning of the year will be English and maths allowing children to form a foundation for future work in wider curriculum areas.
- ❖ We will still be taking part in P.E. lessons twice a week, metacognition and learning for life lessons.
- ❖ We will introduce other lessons and opportunities later in the year.
- ❖ Our trips and experiences will cost no more than £30 a year, this is less than £1 a week.

# Wider Curriculum

❖ Topics and Themes for this year are:

- ❖ Up, Up and Away
- ❖ The Deep Blue Sea, Castles
  - ❖ Dragons and Knights
- ❖ How does your Garden grow?
  - ❖ Animal Magic

❖ Theme days and trips include:

- ❖ Pirate day
- ❖ Windsor Castle
- ❖ Whipsnade Zoo

# Homework

- ❖ Children will get their homework every Monday.
- ❖ They need to complete the named day for Maths and bring it in to show their teacher the next day.
- ❖ READ everyday with your child, discuss the story and ask questions. (We change reading books on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays)
- ❖ Sign the Maths and Reading sections of your child's Reading Journal.



# Things to do at home

- ❖ Support your child with their daily reading, spelling and maths homework.
- ❖ Sign their record and send it into school everyday.
- ❖ Talk to your child about their school day.
- ❖ If you have any questions or problems please phone the school office to make an appointment to speak to the class teacher.



# SATS

- ❖ Your child will be assessed in Reading, Writing and Maths.
- ❖ They will complete two Maths tests and two Reading tests.
- ❖ These will be used to inform our teacher assessment.
  - ❖ Children will be Working Towards, Working At or Working Above age related expectations.
- ❖ There is a list of objectives that the children need to demonstrate independently in order for them to meet the expectations.



# Finally...

- ❖ Any changes to phone numbers and addresses need to be given to the office.

Thank you for joining us.

