

Curriculum Newsletter

Year 2 / Autumn 2



Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to all of our Year 2 pupils and their families! We hope that you had an enjoyable break over the half term. Please keep an eye out for any year group text messages as this is our main means of communicating with you all.



Amazing self portraits, creating Norwich landmarks and making feelings monsters.

Home Learning

We expect all children to read at home to an adult at least 4 times a week. This could be their school reading book, library book or a book from home.

Maths home learning can be completed using the Numbots or Times Table Rock Stars app (log in details are in your child's reading diary) to practise arithmetic skills or simple activities linked to your daily routines. For example card games, counting cars that drive past or adding prices in the supermarket.

Key vocabulary

Axle	A rod on which wheels can rotate.
Chassis	A frame on which a vehicle is built.
Dowel	Wooden rods (used to make axles).
Friction	Resistance when two things rub together.
Materials	What objects are made from.
Suitability	Having properties for a specific purpose.
Properties	What a material is like and how it behaves.

Upcoming Dates

10th November and **12th November** - Parents Evening

21st November - Anti Bullying Curriculum Day

11th December - Year 2 Nativity Performances - 9:15am & 2pm

19th December - Last day of term

PE days are Tuesday and Wednesday

Library day is Wednesday

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	As scientists we will: ★ Explore everyday materials and their properties by designing and making our own kites for our upcoming kite festival!	As computer scientists we will: ★ Focus on online safety whilst learning about health, wellbeing and lifestyle ★ Learn how to create digital music
English	PE	RE
As writers we will: ★ Write in role ★ Use drama to understand characters and events ★ Write a recount of a real event ★ Perform a poem for an audience ★ Practise editing our writing ★ Learn to use new grammar such as: commas in a list, sequencing vocabulary and correctly punctuating questions As readers we will: ★ Continue learning our 'special friends' using Read Write Inc phonics ★ Apply our knowledge of phonics to read fluently ★ Learn to answer questions about what we have read	As athletes we will: ★ Practise jumping and landing ★ Develop social skills by praising and encouraging others	As theologists we will: ★ Learn why light is important in Christianity and Judaism ★ Learn what the nativity story teaches Christians about Jesus
	Art and Design Technology	History and Geography
	As artists and designers we will: ★ Explore wheels and axles by designing, making and evaluating our own Chinese dragon vehicles	As geographers we will: ★ Identify how weather changes across the seasons ★ Learn why the weather isn't the same everywhere
Maths	Music	RHE
As mathematicians we will: ★ Add two 2 digit numbers using a formal method ★ Subtract two 2 digit numbers using a formal method ★ Read and solve addition and subtraction word problems ★ Learn about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes ★ Sort shapes based on their properties ★ Identify lines of symmetry and use them to complete shapes	As musicians we will: ★ Perform songs from our nativity production ★ Learn 'Ho, Ho, Ho' (a Christmas song)	To understand others we will: ★ Learn the difference between secrets and surprises ★ Learn how to ask for help with our worries