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Curriculum Information Letter – Year 2 2025-2026 - Autumn 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to be welcoming Year 2 back to school; it is encouraging to see how pleased they are to have returned and how quickly they are settling back into our school routines. In this letter, you will find an overview of the work that your child will be completing during this term. Please find opportunities to support your child's learning by doing additional research on any new topics.

Curriculum Plan for 2025-2026- Autumn 1

English	<i>The Bear and the Piano</i> by David Litchfield. The children will start the year by writing a letter of advice and then a third-person recount.
Mathematics	We will cover two topics in Autumn 1: Place Value and Addition and subtraction. Pupils will review previous learning and look at the place value of hundreds, tens and ones. They will learn to look at a variety of addition methods with numbers to 100. Addition and subtraction: Pupils will learn to add and subtract up to 3-digit numbers. We will look at partitioning and the column method.
Science	We will study habitats and living things. We start our topic learning to identify living things and then move on to look at plants and animals and their varied habitats.
Computing	Children will look at how to be safe online and how to use technology at school.
Humanities: History/Geography	We will investigate whether we would prefer to live in a hot or cold climate, looking at where the continents are in the world and what climates these different places have.
RE	The big question: <i>Why did Jesus teach us the Lord's prayer as the way to pray?</i> Memorise the Lord's prayer and look at the meaning of the prayer and its relevance for us today.
PSHE	Pupils will set goals for the new year ahead. They will also look at sustaining a healthy life style.
PE/Games	Pupils will learn to show hand and eye coordination. They will practice sending and receiving balls to a given target as well as working on team games with effective communication.

Art/Design Technology	Painting: We will be looking at the terms: primary and secondary colours. Pupils will create a painting using a variety of shades of one colour.
Music	We will be exploring sounds and experimenting with sound production, using our voices and instruments.
Homework	<p><u>Reading:</u> Daily – please sign your child’s reading record each night and ensure they return their Reading Record and reading book each day. If you feel your child is ready to start writing their own comment in their Reading Record each day, then they may. An example of such a comment would be:</p> <p>“Tom just found a magic book and he wants to find out more.”</p> <p><u>Spelling:</u> Weekly - each week your child will be required to write a sentence for each spelling to show their understanding. These spellings will be tested weekly in class.</p> <p><u>Homework:</u> Both English and Maths homework (and occasional topic work) will be set weekly on Wednesday and children should return it by the following Tuesday.</p>

How Can You Help?

If you have any artefacts, knowledge or experiences linked to our topics which you would be happy to share, we would love to hear from you! We would also appreciate your help on trips.

I look forward to teaching your children and working towards a successful year 😊
Thank you for your support.

Sophie
Year 2 Teacher