

## Welcome to Year 2 Information Letter

Welcome to Year 2. I am very excited to be working with you and your child from September.

Your year 2 teacher will be:



Miss Gillbe - 1/2G



This will be the gate the children will enter and leave from.

The children enter school via their classroom doors between 8.30 - 8.35am. Their class teacher will welcome the children into school in the morning. The school day ends at 3.15pm Monday to Thursday and 1.30pm on a Friday. The children will be dismissed from their classrooms.

In Year 2 we have 2 PE sessions per week. One session is indoors (Monday) and the children will need to come in black shorts/joggers and white/red t-shirt. The second session is outdoors (Wednesday) and the children will need to come in black shorts/joggers, white/red t-shirt, jumper (if needed) and trainers/plimsolls.



### School Trips

We will be visiting a farm to link in with our summer topic. We also welcome a range of visitors linked to our topics throughout the year, including a dome man who teaches us all about space!

### Spelling Shed and Purple Mash

Each child will have their own login for Spelling Shed and Purple Mash. We use these programmes in school and the children are also able to access this at home. This helps the children to practise their spelling and access their maths homework.



### Homework

We encourage every child to read at least three times a week at home. We reward their commitment to this reading challenge in class.

Every child is given 6 weekly spellings to learn. We learn the spelling pattern in school but we also encourage children to practise their weekly spellings at home. This can be done on Spelling Shed. Weekly spellings are given out on a Monday and a spelling test is completed the following Monday.

We enjoy year group assemblies where the children can celebrate their achievements with their friends.

### Playground

We use the playground which is the same as one they used in Year 1. The children have the opportunity to use the gym trail, large climbing apparatus and play games using the small equipment. The children will be given a piece of fruit at playtime.

### Lunchtime

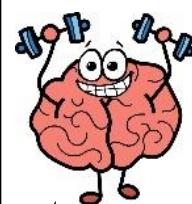
At lunchtime children who are having a school dinner or a packed lunch eat together in the hall.

### Wellbeing

We value the children's wellbeing and the importance of allowing children the opportunity to relax. We have daily relaxation sessions after lunch and also weekly circle times where we are able to discuss and manage issues and worries that have arisen during the week. We also cover the importance of friendships, being respectful and having good manners.

### Growth Mindset

We encourage the children to have a growth mindset and this is modelled to the children in every lesson by the adults. It is important for the children to be resilient and understand that we learn by our mistakes. We are continuing with the 'Characteristics of Effective Learning' characters that they should remember from Reception.



To experience a special dome visit to learn about space!

A chance create London during Big Box Day!

Opportunity to visit a farm!