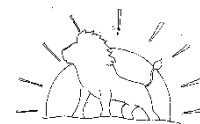







Welcome to Year 2 Information Letter



Welcome to Year 2. We look forward to working with you and your child from September.

The Year 2 teaching staff for September are:

				
Miss Graham - 2G	Mr Long - 2L	Mrs Dawkins - 2D	Mrs Ridley	Mrs Pye-Mingard

The children enter school via the front gates and will be welcomed by the teachers between 8.35 - 8.40 am. The school day ends at 3.00 pm. The teachers will see their classes out from their classroom doors on the KS2 playground.

PE

In Year 2 we have 2 PE sessions per week. One session is indoors and the children will need shorts and a t-shirt. The second session is outdoors and the children will need shorts, t-shirt, jogging bottoms, jumper and trainers/plimsolls. The school PE kit is black shorts with a red or white t-shirt. This is compulsory and any children not wearing the correct PE kit will be asked to change. Long hair must be tied up for PE and no earrings are allowed.



Topic

Our first topic in Year 2 is 'Lost in London'. We will be learning about different landmarks in London and will be welcoming a special guest who will help us explore the wonderful city of London. We also learn important DT skills as we design and make our own London landmarks on Big Box Day.



School Trips

We will be visiting Boydell's Farm in May 2023 and we will also enjoy a day at Canvey beach in June 2023. We also welcome a range of visitors linked to our topics throughout the year.

Online learning platforms

Each child will have their own login for Spelling Shed, Maths Shed, Purple Mash and Numbots. We use these programmes in school and the children are also able to access these at home. This supports them with their weekly spellings, number bonds and development of key curriculum skills.



Forest School

The children will continue with their forest school sessions throughout the year. Children will need wellies and old clothes for these sessions.

Homework

In Year 2 we encourage every child to read at least 3x a week at home. We reward their commitment to this reading challenge and each class has the opportunity to win the reading bear for their classroom.

Every child is given 10 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 Friday and a spelling test is completed the following Friday.

Maths homework will be set weekly on Purple Mash and children are encouraged to complete the work.

Playground

In Year 2 we use the KS2 playground and play alongside the Year 3 children. The children have the opportunity to use the gym trail, large climbing apparatus, tyre park or play games using the small equipment. The children will continue to be given a piece of fruit at playtime so there is no need to bring food into school for your child at playtime.

Lunchtime

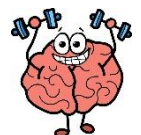
At lunchtime, all children will eat in the small hall. You can check the menu every half term to see which dinners are available. Menus will be emailed out to all parents.

Wellbeing

In Year 2 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 good manners.

Growth Mindset

In Year 2 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.



Year 2 Highlights

A chance to sing
at the Infant
Music Festival

A chance to be
a playground
friend!

The opportunity
to represent the
school in sporting
events at Deanes

