

The School Day:

8.45 until 3.15 everyday. If you arrive after 8.45, your child is late. We will ask you to meet with Miss Round or Mrs Greenwood if we notice that you are late regularly.

Every school day counts!

Important dates over the next few weeks:

Wednesday 30 August– Back to school

Friday 1 September– School closed for Eid

Monday 11 September– Year 2 trip to the Deep, Hull (Please make sure you have paid your contribution of £12.66 on Parent Pay)

Tuesday 3 and Wednesday 4 October– Parent Consultation Evenings

Friday 20 October– School closes for 2 weeks

Monday 6 November– Back to school

Important Notices:

Children in Year 2 have their **PE** lesson on a **Friday afternoon**. Please make sure that your child has their PE kit in school and is not wearing any jewellery.

All children must have a pair of wellington boots in school. We learn outdoors every day, in all weathers. As it becomes cooler please send your child to school with a hat, gloves and a scarf.

Spellings will be tested each Friday. It is very important that your child practices them and aims to get full marks each week.

Please make sure that all uniform including PE kit is labeled.



Year 2 Curriculum Map Autumn 1 2017-18

Term Dates:

Wednesday 30 August

To

Friday 20 October

This curriculum map is your guide to what your child is learning in school over the next few weeks.

We hope that this will support you in learning with your child at home.

Underpinning Aspects of Effective Learning	How to help your child at home:
<p>Dispositions to Learning: Children will further develop their ability to be resourceful and manage their own learning time in provision. They will be encouraged to return to learning they have already started and improve it over time. We will begin to give each other feedback about what we like and what we think can be done to further improve our work.</p>	Encourage your child to return to work they have started to make improvements– this will be especially important when your child is learning their spellings each week.
<p>Addressing an Audience Confidently Children will begin to perform, present and debate in one-to-one situations and small groups starting to consider volume and tone of their voice as well as using eye contact and body language to engage their audience.</p>	When communicating with your child encourage them to talk using a clear, confident voice, with eye contact.
<p>Health, Well-Being and Esteem Children talk about their aspirations for the future. This may be short term aspirations or life aspirations. With support, they talk about how they will achieve them.</p>	Talk to your child about their short term, and long term goals– what do they want to improve on in the next few weeks? What would they like to do when they are older?

Essential Skills and Knowledge	How to help your child at home:
<p>Reading In year 2 we will be starting to pay more attention to punctuation when we are reading. This includes stopping when they see a full stop (.) pausing when they see a comma (,) and using an exciting voice when they see an exclamation mark (!)</p>	When they are reading everyday at home look for the punctuation. Encourage your child to stop and a full stop, and use different voices when they see an exclamation mark.

Essential Skills and Knowledge	How to help your child at home:
<p>Writing This half term we will have 2 core stories– one will be a transition unit ‘Captain Flynn and the Pirate Dinosaurs’ and the second ‘Pumpkin Soup’. We will focus a lot on writing instructions as well as investigating and writing about the largest pumpkin ever grown in Yorkshire.</p>	The more practice your child has writing descriptive sentences, the better their writing will be. Encourage them to write short stories using their imagination about their toys.
<p>Maths: This first unit of Year 2 offers opportunities to revisit numbers within 100 that they have previously covered in Year 1. Pupils will look at the place value of 2-digit numbers by exploring how to partition, compare and order numbers within 100. Pupils will represent numbers to 100 using concrete resources, drawing pictures to represent the resources as well as abstractly using numerals and words.</p>	Make sure that your child completes their home learning each half term and practise their maths skills weekly.

Specific Skills and Knowledge that we are focussing on this half term	How to help your child at home:
<p>Science: Children will be able to identify, describe, explore and compare similarities and differences between living things, their habitats and food chains; how different habitats co-exist as well as things that are dead and/or have never been alive. They will learn to understand the basic needs of animals and plants including water, food and air and demonstrate this understanding through using the outdoor provision.</p>	Talk to your child about the things they see around them– what is alive now? What is not living is there anything which was living but now is not?
<p>PE This half term our PE sessions will be athletics. Children will be taught all-round skills required to be an athlete. They will learn the techniques and attributes required to perform well in various track and field events. Children will undertake the following lessons: sprints, middle distance running, discus, javelin, hurdles, relay, shot putt and jumping activities.</p>	Help your child to see how improving your own score is better than beating someone else!