



Primary 2 Newsletter



Welcome!

Welcome back to school. The boys and girls have settled into their new classes so well. We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead!

Class Teachers:

Primary 2a: Mrs Shaan

Primary 2b: Miss Fitzpatrick

Primary 2c: Miss Forde

Numeracy

Number: The children will participate in daily Mental Maths warm ups. Our focus this term includes number stories to 10, number recognition to 50, ordering numbers and identifying the number before and after.

Beyond Number: This term, Primary 2 have been exploring measure. We have measured length using nonstandard units of measurement and can explain the meaning of long and short. Primary 2 have also explored weight and can measure using balancing scales. Towards the end of the term the children will revise symmetry and create symmetrical images.

Literacy

Reading: The children will build upon their reading strategies and will focus on prediction, sequencing and reading the first 100 common words. Our current class book is 'Giraffes Can't Dance.'

Writing: The children will explore writing through a range of approaches including targeted inputs at the teacher table, in our class writing zones and in our role play areas. This term we are focusing on letter formation and blending sounds to write new words.

Talking & Listening: Primary 2 have been sharing what makes us unique during Circle Time. We will continue to focus on sharing with others and taking turns. The children are always encouraged to share their views in different ways. We will continue to explore sign language through our Sign of the Day.



Gym

Our gym days are Tuesday and Thursday. Pupils will bring their gym kit in a labelled bag and will get changed in school. Pupils can wear a polo shirt, shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms in the school colours. No football strips please.



Homework

Thank you in advance for supporting your child to complete their homework. The children will have Literacy homework on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and Numeracy homework on Tuesdays and Thursday. We ask that your child practises their common words and reads their reading book every night.

Health and Wellbeing

The pupils participate in our emotions check in every morning and afternoon. At the beginning of the year, our class worked together as a team to create our Class Charter. Our Class Charter are the rules that we will follow in the class. Through our Giraffes Can't Dance topic, Primary 2 have been learning about what makes each of us unique. We have identified our talents and are focusing on developing a growth mindset.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Primary 2 have been learning about what makes us unique through our 'Giraffes Can't Dance' topic. We have enjoyed reading the story and learning about giraffes and their habitat. Later in the Term, we will begin our new topic 'Superheroes.' Through this topic we will focus on our Rights and Responsibilities and how to keep ourselves healthy and safe both in school and within our wider community.

Creative Learning

The pupils will continue to learn through play. In Primary 2, children will engage in a range of teacher led, teacher initiated and child led learning activities. We are lucky to have iPads within our classroom which are used to enhance learning across the curriculum.

Primary 2 will also participate in outdoor learning experiences. Please ensure that your child is dressed for all weather with a suitable jacket and footwear.