

# Year 2 Newsletter

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2024

## Welcome

Welcome to our first Year 2 newsletter! We are very impressed with the way the children have settled into life in the Year 2 building. All children have taken extra care when walking through the car park and when going to the playground and collecting their lunches. They have adjusted to completing extra work in their books and explaining their learning. We can already see that this year is going to be an excellent year!

We have a breakfast club, it runs from 7.45am – 8.45am Monday to Friday, so book your place as soon as possible through the office if you would like your child to attend. Just a reminder year 2 classes starts at 8.35am and finishes at 3.25pm.

Year 2 Keeping In Touch Meeting- Monday 9am

## English

This week in English we explored when to use capital letters and full stops. We also practised writing sentences using our high frequency words. Next week we will be exploring the features of an informal letter writing using the book 'The Day the Crayons Quit'.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gPkrhIEoOJg>

### How you can help at home:

Show the children examples of letters that come in the post and explain that it is a form of communication

## Maths

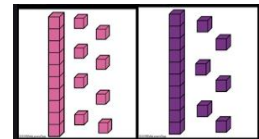
This week in Maths we identified and counted numbers up to 100. We learnt the skill that it is easier to count your tens first and then your ones. For example, if counting to 45 you would count like this '10,20,30,40,41,42,43,44,45'.

Next week we are going to explore finding one more and one less than a number and partition numbers up to 100.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

### How you can help at home:

Identify the ages of the people in your family and encourage your child to count in tens and ones to the numbers. You could also show them a hundred square on your phone and encourage them to find one more and less than the number.



## Words of the week

### Chaotic

This means: complete and total confusion or lack of order.

### Kind

This means: generous, helpful, and thinking about other people's feelings

Can you use these words in a sentence?

## Home Learning

**Every Friday** your child will come home with either an English, Maths or Reading Comprehension home learning pack. Every week on this newsletter we will identify the pages your child needs to complete. The home learning, we set will reflect the skills your child has learnt in class that week. **We kindly ask that once your child has completed the work you go through the answers with them (you will find the answers either in the middle or at the back of the book)** and return it back to your child's class teacher on **WEDNESDAY**. However this week we ask that you help practice spelling the days of the week with your child. **Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday**  
Also we kindly ask children to continue to practice counting to 100.

## Spellings

This year we will not be having weekly 6 spelling test, however below are the words the children should know how to automatically spell by the end of Year 2.

### Year 2 Common Exception Words

after	child	every	half	move	plant	whole
again	children	everybody	hold	Mr	poor	who
any	Christmas	eye	hour	Mrs	pretty	wild
bath	class	fast	improve	old	prove	would
beautiful	climb	father	kind	only	should	
because	clothes	find	last	parents	steak	
behind	could	floor	many	pass	sugar	
both	cold	gold	mind	past	sure	
break	door	grass	money	path	told	
busy	even	great	most	people	water	

## Reading

We collect the children's books on **Tuesday**, they return home with a new book on **Thursday**. If your child fails to return it, we will be asking you to pay **£5** to replace it. To avoid this, when you are listening to your child read at home, please encourage them to put their book into their book bag as soon as they have finished, that then means that they will always have their book when they are at school.

## Arithmetic

Every Monday and Friday your child will complete a mental arithmetic test to develop their mental maths skills. When they complete the first test which will take place every Monday, the adult in class will teach the children what method they need to use to work out the answers. Your child will take this test home. **Please encourage and support your child to practise the questions they have completed incorrectly.** Your child will retake the same test on Friday which the class teacher will keep in school.

## P.E

Below you will find the days we have P.E. We ask that your child comes to school in their P.E kit on their P.E day. You can purchase our school P.E kit from 'Bubblegum' in Thornton Heath.

Lewis Class: Tuesday  
Dahl Class: Thursday  
Andersen Class: Wednesday  
Carroll Class: Friday

## Attendance

We will continue to monitor attendance. The class with the best attendance each week will receive the attendance cup!



Andersen – 80.2%    Carroll – 81.6%  
Dahl – 81.5%    Lewis – 91.6%