

Welcome to Hedgehogs' Class and Year 2



We hope you have all had a lovely summer break and enjoyed both the good weather and some quality family time together. We are very excited to have your child back in school and can't wait to share lots of amazing learning opportunities to support their progress throughout this year.

The adults working in Year 2 with your children this year will be:

Mrs Watson – Class Teacher

Zoe – Teaching Assistant

Sally – Teaching Assistant

Jess - Teaching Assistant

Oleks – Teaching Assistant

Alma - Teaching Assistant

A typical week this term

During each morning there will be directed learning sessions for Phonics, Spelling and Grammar, English and Maths.

On **Monday** afternoons, your child will take part in **PE** and **Computing**. Please could you ensure that they come to school in PE kit and suitable footwear and remove any earrings for Health and Safety reasons.

On **Tuesday** afternoons we will learn about **History**.

On **Wednesday** afternoons we will learn about the world around us in our **Science** lessons.

On **Thursday** afternoons we have **Music** and **Design & Technology**.

On **Friday** afternoons we will cover **PSHE** and **RE**.

Alongside this topic work we will also have an additional Maths fluency session and we will finish our day with a shared story time.

Later during this term we will also start our weekly spelling quizzes but will send more information out on this once your children have settled in and are more used to the Year 2 learning routine.

Attached to this letter you will find details of what your child will be learning throughout the year. Hopefully they will be able to discuss this in more detail with you as we cover each of our exciting topics.



Reading at home

In the words of Dr. Seuss

“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you’ll go.”

All children will be continuing with Book Club in Year 2 and will come home with their reading book every Friday. Please ensure that your child brings their book back **every Thursday** so we can give them a new book and pass their returned books onto the next group. Your child will also bring home a ‘Love to Read’ book which they will select from our library and this is for you to enjoy together. This should also be returned on a Thursday. It is important that your child brings their book bag and reading book to school **EVERY** day. There will be many opportunities for them to read in school and this is not possible if their book is not here.

Attached to this letter is a copy the Year 1 common exception words that your child should be able to read and spell before they start Year 2. Please encourage them to re-cap on these before we move on to our Year 2 words. Over the next few weeks we will send home a copy of your child’s spelling quiz for the Year 1 words so you are aware of any that they may need to practise.

Activity Day Trip

We are very much looking forward to our trip to Lea Green Activity Centre on Thursday 24th September. A letter has been sent out to you this week with details of the trip and a consent form which you will need to sign and return so that your child can attend. Please take note of the times as we will be later coming back to school than our usual end of day time.

Our first priority is always for your child to feel settled, safe and happy to be in school whilst learning alongside their friends. If you, or they, have any queries or worries at all and you would like to speak to any of the team, please either catch us at the door or phone in for a longer chat if needed. The school number is 01773 872571.

We look forward to working with you over the next year and helping your child to become the best that they can be.

Mrs Watson, Zoe, Sally, Jess, Oleks and Alma.

