

October 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our new topic for Autumn 2 is: **World Wars**. Please find overleaf information on our topic, as well as an overview of each subject.

The Year 2 team are looking forward to helping your child succeed to their full potential. The team continues to be the following members of staff:

Opal Class

- Miss Mulford (Class Teacher);
- Miss Lei(TA);

Topaz Class

- Mrs Brown (Assistant Head of Year2/3 and 4 and Class Teacher);
- Mrs Raj (HLTA and PPA cover);
- Mrs Morrin (TA).

Year 2 pupils will be having PE on Mondays and Thursdays. Children will change into their PE kit before the lesson and will come home in their PE kit. Please ensure your child has the correct kit to change into for these sessions and it is brought back for the next PE lesson.

Please ensure all clothing and items that are brought into school are clearly **named**. This includes: all parts of the school uniform, P.E kit, shoes, trainers, coats, lunch boxes, water bottles and book bags.

Reading

Their reading folder must stay in their book bags and be brought in to school **every day**. Please encourage your child to look after the books and respect the folder. If a reading book is damaged or lost you may be asked to pay for a replacement.



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Included in this folder, there will be a home learning diary. Please record in this diary daily when you have listened to your child read. Please record the title, the pages read and any additional comments about their reading that you may wish to write.

Checking for the previous week's reading will be done each Monday. In addition to their reading book, the children will also be able to bring home a reading book from the library that is of their own choosing.

Home Learning

In addition to reading with your child daily, we ask you to support them with both their maths home learning and spellings.

Maths

Each Monday your child will have their maths home learning checked. After that, the next maths home learning will be set to complete in their workbooks. **Please only complete the pages listed each week.** Home learning is due on the dates shown below.

Homework due date	Pages to complete
10 th November	23 - 25
17 th November	26 - 28
24 th November	29 - 31
1 st December	33 - 35
8 th December	36 - 38
15 th December	39 - 41

Spellings

Every Monday, we will hand out a list of spellings for your child to learn. These spellings are linked to our spelling scheme and rules we are covering that week. This will then help to support them to write with



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confidence. Please ensure they are frequently practised at home so that your child feels confident when they complete their spelling test the following Monday.

If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to come and see us.

Many thanks,

Mrs Brown and Miss Mulford.

Year 2 Teachers



Year Group - 2

Term - Autumn 2

English

This term, we are reading Dirty Bertie! Our Talk for Writing lessons are focusing on writing a Beauty and the Beast diary entry and writing a Traditional Tale. Each lesson begins with a spelling, punctuation and grammar activity. We will also be having a push on handwriting to support the children using the correct letter formation and letter height.

Maths

We are continuing to teach from White Rose maths. This half term, our focus will be Addition and Subtraction and shape. Each lesson involves a fluency, reasoning and problem solving activity. We will continue to use concrete, abstract and pictorial opportunities to build competency in all areas of maths.

Music

This term, we will be focusing on learning our production songs ready for the performance later in

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Science

Children this term will be learning about how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals using the idea of a simple food chain.

History

We will be learning about World War 1 and Remembrance Day. We will be looking into how people were recruited for the Wars, what they had to do and why remember them now. On Remembrance Day, we will be taking part in a 2 minute silence to show our respect.

PE: Ball skills—including; passing a ball successfully with control, throwing a ball at a target, throwing balls indifferent directions. Plus children are to run past a defender to score a goal.

Art

Colour Mixing—We will be mixing colours to create secondary colours. We will experiment with tints and shades. Children will paint in the style of Robert Delaunay.

RE: We will be learning the Christian story of Christmas. Children to explain the story and the significance of Jesus being sent to Earth. This will be reinforced through our production rehearsals.

PSHE - Connect

We are continuing our connect programme with our topic of 'self care'. Thinking about ways to be kind to ourselves.

Curriculum Enrichment

Nativity production to parents on Tuesday 16th
December