

## General Information and Reminders

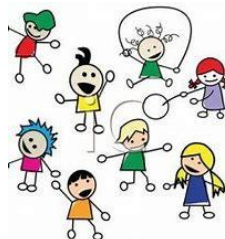
### PE

PE will take place on Mondays. Please ensure that your child has the correct PE uniform in school every day:

- blue shorts/tracksuit trousers
- a grey t shirt
- plimsolls or a change of trainers for outside

**Please ensure all clothes and plimsolls are clearly labelled with your child's name.**

PE in Year 2 is taught by Mr Spadaccini.



### Trips/Virtual Visits

Wren 300 trip -31. 1.24

### Homework

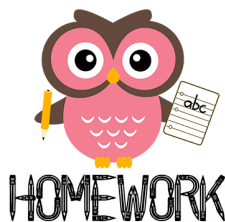
Homework will be sent home on Thursdays and is due back the following Tuesday.

Spellings and times tables will be sent home on *Thursday* and tested on *Wednesday*

Homework will cover a range of tasks and subjects over the term.

In addition, children will be expected to read regularly and learn weekly spellings and times tables.

If you feel that your child has spent sufficient time on their homework but has not finished the work set, that is fine. We all work at different levels, so ensure your child achieves what is appropriate for their ability.



### Class assembly

Our class assembly this term will take place on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February. All parents, carers and family members are warmly invited! There will also be a parent workshop on maths at 9am.

### Reminders

- Please ensure all school clothes are named to prevent items getting lost.
- If your child is absent from school, please phone the school office on the first day of absence and write a note on his/her return.
- Your child has been given a Christ Church water bottle. Please make sure your child's water bottle is in school every day.
- **Please do not send sweets or any food/non-food items into school to celebrate birthdays, we are unable to hand these out to the other children in the class. Thank you.**



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A village school in London inspiring *life in all its fullness*



## Year Two

## Spring Term 2024



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Class Teacher: Louise Parsons Support Staff: Anna Maguire and Jim Warren  
Other adults working with Y2: Mr Oliver (Music), Mr Spadaccini (PE) and Madame Pugalia (French) Ms Miller (computing and RE)

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year. We are very much looking forward to working with you and your child again this term. If you have any worries or concerns or would like further information about this term's curriculum, please do not hesitate to book an appointment to discuss. Kind regards, Miss Parsons and the Year 2 team.

## Christ Church Arts Project (CAP) - whole school performance!

This term, we are very excited to be planning a whole school musical production for our Christ Church Arts Project! Every child will be singing and dancing on a big stage in the Church, with music, lights and costumes! There will be lots of hard work and rehearsals over this term as we work together as a whole school on what we hope will be an experience the children will remember forever!



The performances will take place on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March (pm) and Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March (evening). More information, including about tickets and how you can help, will be shared with parents soon.

## English



English will be taught through a range of genres this term including Information texts, Poems and Traditional tales from other cultures. The children will revise and consolidate their weekly spellings and will be continuing to develop their cursive handwriting style. Reading will continue to develop children's decoding techniques and will focus more on comprehension of texts.

## Maths



Topics:	Key Learning:
Money	Recognising and counting pence and pounds
Multiplication and Division	Making equal groups and consolidation of 2x 5x and 10x tables
Measure	We will be measuring and comparing lengths using standard units - cm and m and learning mass and capacity.

## Science



Later this term we will begin some science units, with the majority taking place in the summer term. This term we will begin learning about Living things and their Habitats. We will learn to identify things that are living, things that are dead and things that have never been alive, name different plants and animals in their habitats and explore simple food chains.

## Computing



We will explore how music can make us think and feel, make patterns and use those patterns to make music with both percussion instruments and digital tools. We will be using technology to make music. We were also be learning about staying safe online.

## History



We will start by finishing off learning about Florence Nightingale from last term before moving on to our new topic.  
Great Fire of London - We will look at different historical sources and what we can learn from them. We will also consider lasting changes that were made due to the fire.

## RE



Why are they having a party? We will learn about some of the key festivals that are important to Jewish people: Rosh Hashanah, Sukkot, Hanukkah and learn that that they are key points for the Jewish people in helping them remember their history  
How do the symbols of Easter help us to understand the meaning of Easter for Christians? - We will learn about the concept *Salvation* and retell the Easter story and different symbols that help Christians to remembering its meaning.

## Geography



Are places different around the world?  
We will compare the UK to a contrasting location (Australia) and think about similarities and differences between them. We will learn about climate, landmarks, compare a week in the life of a child in Australia to their own lives and learn how people in different areas of the world celebrate Christmas.

## PSHE



Our PSHE week takes place during the week commencing Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January and is focused on Keeping healthy and safe. In Year 2 we will be learning about healthy lifestyles, privacy and our bodies. The week will include workshops led by the police about how to keep safe and one about healthy lifestyles. We will also think about keeping safe online.

## PE



In the first half of this term we will be covering Health and Fitness. As part of this, we will be learning how to recognise and explain how exercise can contribute to a healthy lifestyle. In the second half of this term, we will be covering Skills Development where the children will begin to use effective communication in pairs and small groups during small-sided games.

## Music



The children will be learning the songs for our upcoming whole school production. The children will enhance their range in pitch singing with projection and appropriate character. We will look at warm up techniques and introduce a number of exercises that encourage good breathing, articulation and projection, building the children's confidence performing.

## Art & Design



We will do a range of pieces using different materials and techniques, including linked to our topic on The Great Fire of London. We will also be learning aboriginal about art linked to our learning in Geography. We hope our masterpieces will be ready to show in our assembly!

## Design & Technology

This term we will be thinking about where the food we eat comes from and how it fits into the five groups in the Eatwell Guide. We will make a cold dish while focusing on our learning about hygienic food preparation. We will also use different cutting/chopping techniques like the bridge and the claw.

## French



We will continue our basic introduction to French building our speaking and listening skills. We will start to expand our vocabulary learning words for parts of the body and some food items, as well as words and phrases for *please, thank you and excuse me*. We will also be watching a French play.

Please see the reverse for general reminders and some key dates!