



# Welcome to Year 2

Spring term 2025

We can't believe that it is the Spring term already! There is lots of exciting and important learning happening this term. This newsletter lets you know what the children in Year 2 at BFPA will be up to.

Year 2 Teaching & Support Staff	
Mrs Byrne, Mrs Patel, Mrs Baker, Mrs Bhal	Bright Badgers
Miss Burch & Miss Fife	Awesome Otters
Mrs Patel	Phase Leader

For your child to make the most of their time with us we ask that you can provide them with the following things:

<p><b>Uniform</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plain red jumper or cardigan</li> <li>• Dark grey or black trousers, skirt or pinafore</li> <li>• Red checked dress</li> <li>• Sensible black shoes (no flip-flops or strappy sandals)</li> <li>• No jewellery to be worn, only small <b>stud</b> earrings.</li> <li>• <b>Small</b> bows in school colours (red, white, black or grey)</li> <li>• No nail polish, gel nails or acrylic nails</li> </ul> <p><b>You can also purchase embroidered uniform from Uniform Direct.</b></p>	<p><b>PE Kits</b></p> <p>These <u>must</u> be in school every day. Children must bring in their own PE kit from home. PE kit includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A T-shirt (no crop tops)</li> <li>• Shorts or joggers</li> <li>• Plimsolls or trainers</li> </ul> <p>All children must change for PE. PE kit must not have any inappropriate pictures or logos.</p> <p><b>Each child must have their own Micropore tape if their ears have recently been pierced. Alternatively, children can take out their earrings for PE. Only small studs are permitted.</b></p>	<p><b>Book Bag</b></p> <p>This needs to be brought to school every day with your child's current reading book.</p> <p>Your child will also have a book to share with an adult at home. These books can be changed on a regular basis by speaking to the class teacher.</p> <p>Please listen to your child read at least 5 times a week.</p>
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**It is very important that you write your child's name in ALL of their school equipment, clothing and shoes. When things are lost, it makes them much easier to find.**

PE Days				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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## The BFPA curriculum

We have worked hard to develop our curriculum so that children can become 'Positive Thinkers and LiFE Long Learners.' We have incorporated 7 key principles into our curriculum to ensure all subjects promote and develop this goal. There is more information about these principles on our website. At the heart of every subject is the teaching of Oracy or communication. We teach our children to be purposeful and respectful speakers

who can talk confidently about the things that they have been learning about. Every subject is designed to promote this goal. We also support our children to make links between their learning within and across subjects and year groups.

## **Year 2 Spring Term 1**

Daily Phonics and English lessons. These teach our children reading, writing and spelling.

Maths: Money, fractions, time, volume.

<p><b>History:</b> How have the roles of monarchs changed over time?</p> <p>Understanding how monarchs in the past had the power to make decisions and how that differs to present day.</p>	<p><b>Science:</b> Animals, including humans.</p> <p>Understanding how humans can stay healthy and the different things that humans need to survive.</p>	<p><b>DT:</b> Cooking and Nutrition</p> <p>Exploring ways to create a balanced diet, learning different ways to cut food and taste testing foods to pick tasty but healthy food combinations.</p>	<p><b>Music:</b> Structure - myths and legends.</p> <p>Children are taught how music is structured through the theme of myths and legends.</p>
<p><b>RE:</b> How do we know that some people have a special connection to God?</p> <p>We will explore different religions and what a connection to God looks like in the different religions.</p>	<p><b>PSHCE</b></p> <p>We are following a scheme of work called 'Jigsaw'. The topics this term are:</p> <p>Healthy Me.</p>	<p><b>Computing</b></p> <p>Online Safety</p> <p>Learning about online safety, including using useful tips to stay safe when online</p> <p>Algorithms and debugging.</p>	<p><b>PE</b></p> <p>Fitness.</p> <p>The children will learn about how fitness is an important part of keeping healthy and the positive effects it has on our bodies.</p>

## **Year 2 Spring Term 2**

Daily Phonics and English lessons. These teach our children reading, writing and spelling.

Maths: Addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, word problems.

<p><b>Geography:</b> Why is our world wonderful?</p> <p>Understanding what human and physical features are and being able to locate them on maps.</p>	<p><b>Science:</b> Plants.</p> <p>Understanding what plants need to grow and the different conditions that might affect their growth.</p>	<p><b>Art:</b> Map it out</p> <p>Exploring ways to create abstract maps.</p>	<p><b>Music:</b> Musical me.</p> <p>Children will learn how to play instruments using their note names and attempt to play this and create their own rhythms.</p>
<p><b>RE:</b> What is a prophet?</p> <p>We will explore different religions and their points of view to answer our big question.</p> <p>We will also be continuing with our <u>No Outsiders</u> work to teach diversity and equality and to support our relationships work.</p>	<p><b>PSHCE</b></p> <p>We are following a scheme of work called 'Jigsaw'. The topics this term are:</p> <p>Dreams and Goals.</p>	<p><b>Computing</b></p> <p>Online Safety</p> <p>Learning about online safety, including using useful tips to stay safe when online</p> <p>International Space Station</p>	<p><b>PE</b></p> <p>Cognitive.</p> <p>The children will master their balancing skills and be able to give comments about performance strengths and areas for development.</p>

Please contact your child's class teacher using class Dojo if you have any questions about anything listed above. We look forward to another enjoyable term of learning with your child.

Thank you for your continuing support,

**Year 2 Staff**