



# We are Year 2!

**Welcome back and welcome to Year 2!**

I'd like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to everyone, children, and parents alike, for such a warm welcome to the 'All Souls Family'!



Your children are delightful and have had a great first week back; sharing all of their exciting summer experiences and getting used to their new room, staff, and routines. They have managed beautifully, and the Year 2 team are very proud of them as you should be too.

We are excited about the year ahead and look forward to working with you in supporting and encouraging the children to be the very best they can be. As a school, we expect all children to respect the Catholic ethos of the school.

## Year 2 Curriculum

We aim to enjoy this year and have a fun and exciting curriculum planned for the children. Please see below the overview for The Autumn Term in Year 2.

<b><u>Maths</u></b> Number - Place Value Number - Addition & Subtraction Geometry- Shape	<b><u>English</u></b> Autobiography Character Description Non-Chronological Report Poetry Setting Description Letter	<b><u>RE</u></b> Old Testament Sharing in the Life of Jesus Special Celebrations Advent Christmas	<b><u>Science</u></b> Living things and their habitats Animals including humans	<b><u>RSHE</u></b> Why do we have rules? E Safety
<b><u>History</u></b> Bonfire night and the Great Fire of London	<b><u>Geography</u></b> People and their communities	<b><u>Year 2</u></b>	<b><u>Forest School</u></b> Exploring the outdoors	<b><u>Music</u></b> Developing a sense of pulse and rhythm.
<b><u>Art</u></b> Explore and draw	<b><u>DT</u></b> Boats and Vehicles		<b><u>Computing</u></b> Robot algorithms	<b><u>PE</u></b> Basic Skills Tag Rugby Orienteering Fitness

## Year 2 Expectations

- Children need to come to school on time and ready to learn; this includes having all of their uniform labelled and wearing the correct footwear.
- Please ensure that your child brings a water bottle into school each day which is clearly labelled with their name.

## Year 2 Homework

- Reading records must be brought to school daily and will be checked in on a **Monday morning**. Children should be heard read a minimum of 4 times a week and have their reading records signed. We actively encourage you to read with your child daily, sharing a range of text types to ensure it is an exciting and motivating experience. Reading supports your child in developing a richer vocabulary and comprehension skills and will ultimately impact their writing outcomes. The children will receive a school reading book and 'bedtime' book. This book may be beyond their reading ability but is a book that they have chosen to share and enjoy at home.
- Spellings words will be taken from the Y1 & 2 Common exception words list and 5 new words will be given out each **Monday** and the children tested on them the following Monday. Please ask for advice on rehearsal at home if you are stuck for ideas.
- Writing homework is sent home on a **Wednesday** and should be returned every **Monday** which will then be marked and sent back out on the **Wednesday** with a new task for the children to complete.
- Children are encouraged to access Times Tables Rockstars (TTRS) and SPAG.com and your child has been given their log in for these websites. There will be tasks set for these as the term moves forwards but we are giving the children the chance to settle first.

***Please refer to the school Homework Policy if uncertain on any expectations (this is on our school website).***

In the meantime, should you have any questions, comments or concerns that you would like to raise with me, please do not hesitate to catch me or a member of the team at the door or email me directly at: [dionne.alford@allsoulsschool.co.uk](mailto:dionne.alford@allsoulsschool.co.uk)

Many thanks,

The Year 2 team



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