Welcome to Year 2



Mrs Hickman

Mrs Llewellyn (Tues)

Mrs Palmer

Mrs Spink



Miss Asquith

Mrs Elks (Thurs)

Mrs Palmer

Mrs Spink

Miss Shayler



Mrs Pendleton

Mrs Llewellyn(Mon pm)

Mrs Elks

Mrs Hamm

Core Values



House points are awarded for our Core Values.

When children receive a house point, they will be told which core value it is for and why.

A core values certificate will be awarded each week in Friday assembly.

School Charter

Children

We expect you to:-

- Be ready for the day ahead, carrying your own book bag and water bottle - this is independence.
- Be kind to everyone.
- Have good manners, saying 'please' and 'thank you'.
- Listen carefully to the grown ups and follow instructions quickly.
- Respect all school property and treat it with care.
- Develop your resilience; try your best and do not give up when it is hard – this is how you get better.
- Own mistakes and always tell the truth!

Parents

We expect you to: -

- Ensure your child has a PE kit in school, and brings their water bottle, their book bag and snack daily.
- Bring your child to school on time every day.
- We are now a mobile free zone. Please do not use your phones anywhere on school grounds - thank you.
- Please consider the safety of the whole community and park safely and considerately when dropping off or collecting your child.
- Support your child by listening to them read and complete any home learning. We know this is a team effort and children achieve more when we work together.
- Keep up to date with events that are happening in school. Read messages and letters promptly and check the website regularly.
- Contact the school directly if you have a problem or an issue, please do not use social media.
- Please do not vape or smoke anywhere near the school grounds.
- Please treat staff with respect at all times.

Communication



If we need to send messages with information about what is happening in school, we will use the school app.

Please check messages regularly so you don't miss anything.

We may also send reminders on Seesaw and homework tasks will also be set here, so please ensure you can access this. New QR codes will come home with the children today, if you haven't already had it.

See the school website for important calendar dates and information about what we will be covering each half term, as well as photos of recent events.

https://www.cginschool.co.uk/

calendar, class page, latest events.



Communication

Just a reminder that the first port of call for any communication is the class teacher.

If we can't deal with your query, we will signpost you to the correct member of staff, such as SENDCO, CAFSO, Headteacher etc.

Reading



- Book bags with reading book and diary must come to school every day please.

- We will aim to hear children read in school at least once per week - this can include one-to one reading, reading in groups or class reading.

- Change box in the classroom each day for anyone who needs a new book - children put book and diary in box and we will help them to change their book during the day.

Book levels.



- Books are organised into phonics

phases and children will be given books

that match their phonics stage.

- Once children have finished phase 6 books and are fluent readers, there will be a number of coloured book bands to work through - gold, white, lime, brown and grey.

Decodable Reading Books



- Children will have 2 books at a time. One will be a 'decodable' book matched to their phonics phase and will be allocated by a member of staff.

- The second book will be a 'sharing' book. This is one that they can choose themselves from a range of books on their phase, allowing children some choice over their reading material.

- We would encourage you to read a book through a few times before changing to ensure fluency and understanding of the text.

Reading



- Comprehension is a huge part of

reading in year 2. Please ask your

child questions about every book you read and encourage them to look for the answers in the text.

- Children who read at home 3 or more times per week will be rewarded with 2 house points. We will count reading of both school books and books from home.

- We will keep books and reading diaries over night one day per week to do this. Bees - Tuesday, Penguins and Frogs - Monday.

Reader of the week



- Each week someone will be awarded the 'Reader of the Week' award.

They will receive a certificate in assembly and have their photograph displayed in the classroom.

Children win the reader of the week by showing progress with their reading/comprehension ability, reading the most times at home, making a marked improvement in the amount of reading they are doing or showing consistency over a period of time.

Library



The children will visit the school library once a week, where they choose a book to borrow.

Bees - Wednesday

Penguins - Friday

Frogs - Friday

Phonics Meeting

If your child didn't pass the phonics check at the end of year 1, they will have another opportunity to complete the check again at the end of year 2.

Mrs Woodward will be holding a meeting for parents with information about how you can support your child with their phonics at home.

Please look out for the letter about this - we would really recommend that you attend this meeting as it will be really useful!

Homework and Spellings



- New QR codes for Seesaw are being sent home with the children today.

- This half term, one piece of homework will be set on Seesaw each week, alternating between English and Maths. The homework will reflect what children have been learning in school that week.

-Homework will be allocated on a Friday morning and will be due in the following Friday morning. We will check on Seesaw each Friday to see who has done their homework. Children will receive a house point for completing their homework task.

Homework and Spellings



- From next half term, the English and Maths

homework will be replaced with a spelling

activity.

- Words sent home link to the work we are doing in school each week and will be phonics focussed to begin with.

-On a Friday children will write dictated sentences including a selection of the words practised.

- Edit on Monday.

Handwriting

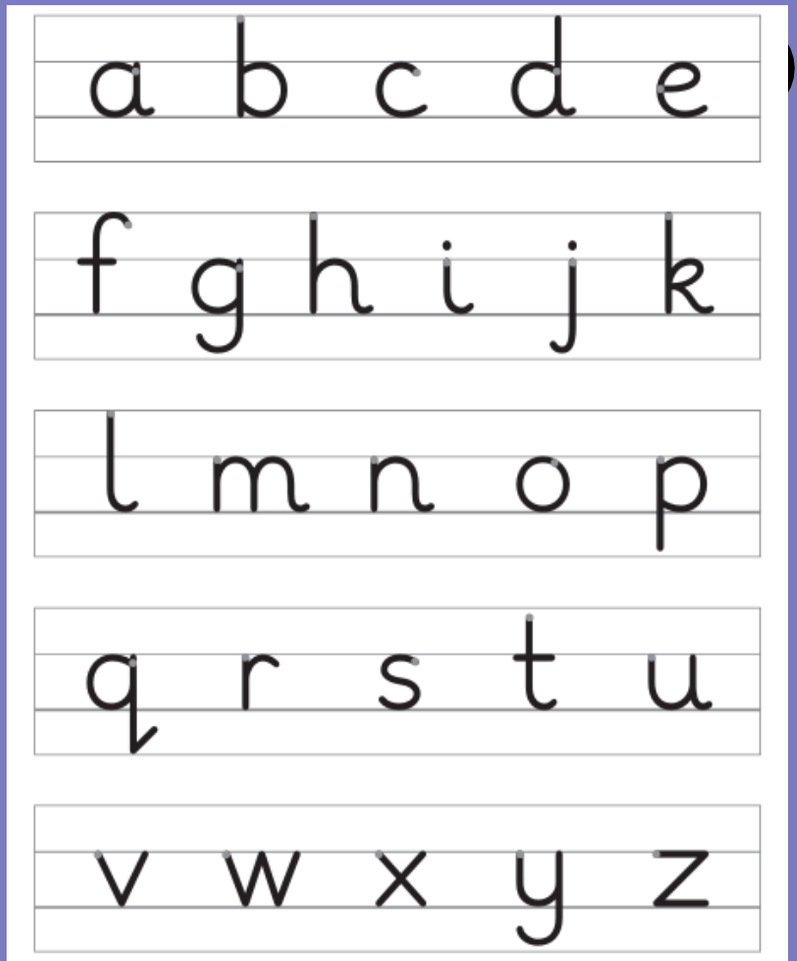
We are no longer learning cursive

handwriting in year 2.

Children will continue the printed

letter formation they have practised

in R and Y1.



Children must be forming letters correctly and of the correct size to achieve the expected standard in writing at the end of year 2. If your child is struggling with correct letter formation please practise at home.

Forest School



All classes will now have the opportunity to spend

time in Forest School each week.

Bees - Tues afternoon (full Forest School session led by Mrs Hickman) for the next 4 weeks. After this, it will move to a Friday.

Penguins - Monday afternoon.

Frogs - Wednesday afternoon

Each week, please provide:

- Warm clothing that can be layered, such as a T-shirt, jumper, leggings or trousers.
- Wellington boots or trainers, with suitable socks.
- A waterproof coat or puddle suit.
- A hat, scarf and gloves when the weather becomes colder.

P.E

- Bees & Frogs - Monday and Wednesday

- Penguins - Wednesday and Thursday

- Please ensure children have the following namedPE kit in school:

  -shorts, t-shirt, pumps/trainers, joggers for outdoors.

-NO EARRINGS!



Uniform



- Please make sure all clothing is named including coats and especially jumpers/cardigans.

Behaviour Approach



A quick reminder about our approach to behaviour...

- Rolling system rather than weekly.



- Children move up the rainbow for a good day in school or for extra special work/behaviour.



- Opportunity for more than one sunshine sticker in a week.



- Consequences directly linked to behaviour.

- Wellbeing Time on a Friday.

Snack



Fruit only



Water bottle

- A piece of school fruit is also available each day.

There will be a copy of these slides uploaded to Seesaw and the parents section of the school website for you to refer to throughout the year if needed. Your child will bring home their Seesaw code today.

Any question, don't hesitate to ask. You can send a note on Seesaw or catch us for a chat at the end of the day.

