

A note from the teachers

Welcome to Year 2!

We are looking forward to this academic year and all the wonderful things to come!



PE

PE will be on a Thursday.

Children should come to school in their trainers on Thursdays as we are unable to store items of PE kits in school at the present time.

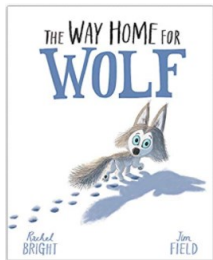
Reading books, homework and spellings

Reading books will be coming home with the children on a Monday. These should stay at home until Friday when they should be brought back into school. The children will have read these books in school the previous week and will be sent home to recap and practise. The books will be based on the phonics they are learning in school.



Homework will be given out on a Thursday and will be expected back on a Monday. **Spellings** will be given on a Thursday and will be tested on the following Monday. (A list of spellings for the half term will also be sent home so you can have longer to practise with your child).

In **English** we will be reading *The Way Home for Wolf* by Rachel Bright and Jim Field. We will be exploring the story, creating a character profile, producing an information text on an animal and then writing our own story based on the original book.



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In **Religion** we will be following the 'Come and See' scheme of work alongside CARITAS themes, looking at new beginnings, how God is there at every new beginning and the Creation story. We will be linking poetry to Gospel values and truth. We will be exploring the lives of some saints. We will also be looking at the books that are used in Church.



In **Maths** we will be focusing on recognising, identifying and describing the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. We will be looking at numbers up to 100 and counting in steps of 2, 3, 5 from 0 and in steps of 10 from any number. There will be a continued focus on fractions of shapes and amounts.



In **History** we will be looking at the Gunpowder Plot and looking at Remembrance.



Painting will be our focus in **Art** this term, looking at using different techniques to create firework pictures.



Our focus area for **Science** this term is everyday materials and living things and their habitats.

We will be looking at the properties of materials and how suitable they are for different purposes.

We will then be looking at food chains and life processes and at a range of different habitats.



In **Music** we will be listening to *Peter and the Wolf* by Sergei Prokofiev. We will be listening, appraising, composing and performing.

In **Geography** we will be learning to name and locate the continents and oceans of the world. We will be learning to use compass directions

