



Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted to welcome the children back after the Christmas holidays. We are very much looking forward to teaching them over the term in Year 2.

This letter is intended to help children understand expectations for this term, organise themselves for activities like PE and remember Boringdon expectations for things like taking responsibility for their Homework. It is also intended as a guide for you, keeping you informed about our learning this term and reminding you of key dates and events.

The information below sets out the learning for the coming months but as ever, if you have any questions about your child's learning or progress, please do not hesitate to contact us - our email addresses are overleaf.

English	Reading: develop accuracy and fluency when reading aloud and talk about books we have explored. Writing: add detail to sentences using coordination and subordination; write a range of sentence types and punctuate them correctly; use the progressive tense; and develop our writing stamina.
Maths	Multiplication and Division, Statistics, Measure, Fractions
Science	Living Things and their Habitats
Computing	Algorithms and Debugging, Data Handling
Geography	Villages, towns and cities.
Music	I Wanna Play in A Band (Rock) Zootime (Reggae)
History	What happened during and after the Great Fire of London.
Art and Design	Sculpture and 3D: Clay houses
Design & Technology	Mechanisms: Fairground wheel
Religious Education	Who is Jewish and how do they live?
Physical Education	Invasion games: handball Real PE: balance and agility
PSHCE (Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education)	Dreams and Goals Healthy Me

Homework

Children will receive weekly spellings to learn at home. To support children, we make the spellings available on Seesaw and in their purple spelling books each week.

We also expect children to read at home daily.

Maths homework will be set weekly.

Homework is to be handed in on a Thursday, which is also when children will complete their spelling test.

PE Times

PE time for this term will be:

2AF - Tuesday and Wednesday

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Please ensure that your child has a school P.E kit on the days that they have PE.

It is essential that all items are named as this ensures the safe return of lost pieces of kit. May we please stress that the children should wear School P.E kit (house colour PE top), plain black shorts and/or tracksuit bottoms). Over the past years, 'P.E kit' in a variety of styles and colours has been worn by some children. This mismatch of kit does not reflect the pride we have in our uniform and our school, and we are grateful for your support in ensuring that your child adheres to the acceptable kit.

Snacks/Water

As a Healthy School we encourage healthy snacks such as fruit. Your child will be able to eat their snack during morning break. Although we provide beakers for water, we still encourage children to bring in a bottle of water. It has been proven that keeping hydrated by drinking throughout the day improves concentration. Can we please emphasise that only a piece of fruit or vegetable is allowed for a break time snack.

Peanut & Nut Allergy

We now have a few children in our school with a severe peanut allergy. Just touching another child's hand or a wrapper that has contained peanuts or nuts could cause a severe life threatening reaction. It would really help us to keep these children safe if you ensure your child brings no nut products to school in their packed lunch. Your support would be much appreciated.

As you are aware, year 2 is an extremely important year for children. We aim to give them all of the tools they require to have a great year with us and to be fully prepared for Key Stage 2. We hope that this letter has been helpful but please remember that we are always very happy to discuss any concerns you may have, either after school or at a more convenient time.

We look forward to working alongside you over the course of the year to ensure your child has a happy and productive Year 2 that prepares them fully for Key Stage 2.

Yours sincerely,

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