

Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter



Summer 1 Term 1 2024-2025

Welcome back!

Dear parents,

Welcome back to the summer term at Marlborough Infants; we hope you enjoyed your Easter break! We have been extremely impressed with the hard work of the children during the spring term and we are looking forward to sharing some exciting new topics and seeing their continued enthusiasm.

School Timings



Just a quick reminder that our doors will open at **8:35am** and all year two children are expected to be lined up in the courtyard where they will be taken into class at **8:40am**. If your child arrives **after 8:40am**, please enter through the main doors. Registers close at **8:50am** and children marked in after this time will be marked as late; thank you for your co-operation with this.

Attendance and Punctuality

Children need to be in school **every day** and **on time**. Face-to-face education is important in helping pupils to fulfil their potential. During school time, pupils should be in class with their teachers and peers and enjoying all the benefits that this brings.

Physical Education

This term, P.E. will continue to be on a **Tuesday** and a **Wednesday**. P.E. Kits should be brought into school every Monday and will be sent home each Friday to be washed.



During these warmer months, shorts and t-shirts are suitable for outdoor games and appropriate footwear is essential. **Please make sure children do not wear jewellery** to school on these days, and have a hair band/bobble to tie their hair back, for health and safety purposes. Please can you also make sure you send in a pair of socks if your child is wearing tights to school. Remember hats and water bottles are a must- especially on hot days!

Home Learning

Reading: Read three times (minimum) a week. Please record this in your child's yellow reading diaries. See below for more details.

Spellings: There is a change to spelling homework. We will now set new spellings on a Friday and test on the following Friday. This way, children can learn over the weekend if they don't have time on a week night.

Learn 5 spelling words. These will be set by the teacher on Fridays and we will complete a weekly test the following Friday to check and address gaps.

Maths: Engage with Numbots online. Aim for an hour over the week, 'little and often' throughout the week (roughly 10 minutes per day).



Phonics and Reading

Regular reading at home will support your child in all areas of their learning. A key focus in year 2 is ensuring all children are able to recognise, say and blend sounds. This can also be supported by practising the sounds and phrases on the set sounds given to most pupils at our previous parents' evenings. As some pupils begin to come to the end of the RWI programme the focus will shift more to retrieval, inference, summarising and explaining skills in 'reading journey' lessons. Children must be reading at least **3** times a week for **10 minutes**, which needs to be recorded in their reading record alongside an adult comment or signature. Reading records will be collected every **Monday** so that we can provide spellings.

Online Safety

Despite the children still being very young, we all have to be aware of online safety. Please carefully consider what your children may be able to access on unrestricted devices and online communications on games or websites. Online safety is an important part of our curriculum and we recommend talking about online safety regularly and openly.

As always, your continued support is very much appreciated. If you do wish to discuss anything with us, please do contact the school office or arrange a meeting after school.

Curriculum Overview

Attached to this curriculum letter, you will find a curriculum overview of the topics we will be covering this term.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Williams
Year 2 Class Teacher
Sycamore Class



Diary Dates

These may change or be added to throughout the course of the term, please check on the school website and newsletters for any changes.

Event	Date
Y2 Trip to Brooklands Museum	29 th April
Y2 Trip to the FAST museum	15 th May
VE day celebrations TBC	8 th May
Break up for Half Term	23 rd May

Example Weekly Timetable

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	08:40-09:00	09:00-9.30	9.30-10:30	10:30-10:45	10:45-11:45	11:45-12:00	12:00-13:00	13:00-13:30	13:30-15:15		
Mon	Registration MORNING WORK KATY/TIA	RWI/GR	MATHS	Break	ENGLISH	Maths Fluency	Lunch				
						Registration Class Assembly		MUSIC	<u>P.E</u>		
Tue	Registration MORNING WORK KATY/TIA SARAH	RWI/GR	MATHS		ENGLISH	Maths Fluency		Registration Values Assembly- Russell	DT	MUSIC	
Wed	Registration MORNING WORK SARAH/TIA	RWI/GR	MATHS		ENGLISH	Handwriting		Registration Singing Assembly - Poppy	HISTORY	SCIENCE	
Thu											
	Registration MORNING WORK SARAH/TIA	RWI/GR	MATHS		ENGLISH	Handwriting		Registration	<u>P.E</u>	LIBRARY SESSION (Teacher-led)	
Fri	Registration MORNING WORK SARAH/TIA	RWI/GR	ENGLISH		ENGLISH	Spelling		Registration Celebration Assembly- Poppy	PSHE	<u>R.E</u>	

Curriculum overview

Subject		Summer 1	Summer 2
Spoken and Written Word	Reading	Too Small Tola A Book of Bears	Eric The Spider and the Fly
	Writing	Write a 1st person diary- Amelia Earhart Write a Fact File	Create an advisory text - what to take with you on a journey. Write a descriptive text.
STEM	Maths	Money, fractions, time, position & direction	Multiplication & division, measure
	Science	Changing materials	Pushes & pulls
	Computing	Creating media - Digital music	Programming quizzes
	Design Technology	Construction - 3D model aeroplane with wheels & axels linked to Aeroplanes/Aviation	
Physical Well-being	PE	Dance (Teacher led) Attack, Defend, Shoot 1	Dance (teacher-led) Attack, Defend, Shoot 2
Creative & Performance Arts	Art		Francis Bowyer (backgrounds - painting)
	Music	"Man on the Moon"	"Minibeasts On the Move"
Emotional Wellbeing	RE	Special food across religion and traditions	God - Christianity and Hinduism
	PSHE	Being my Best	Growing and Changing
Humanities	History	The only way to fly is on a plane. True or false?	
	Geography		What is it like in other places? (Aldershot vs Nepal)