

Year 2

Meet the teacher evening

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Sparrow Class

# Teacher in Year 2

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Miss Ellis

# English

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- English is taught every day.
- It includes reading, writing, spelling, punctuation grammar and speaking and listening.
- There are also cross-curricular links with other foundation subjects.



# Reading

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- Children read in school in lots of different ways:
  - Comprehension
  - Phonics
- Reading at home is a crucial part of their development as readers. They should read and discuss books every day.
- Please send reading books and diaries to school every day.

# Karate Readers

- Karate readers encourages children to read more at home.
- One read per day.
- When a child has read at least 25 times at home they will receive a white wristband.
- For a 'read at home' to count there must be a signature from an adult in their reading book.

There are many different colour wristbands to earn:

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| ■ 25 reads - white band  | 125 reads - blue band       |
| ■ 50 reads - yellow band | 150 reads - brown band      |
| ■ 75 reads - orange band | 175 reads - black band      |
| ■ 100 reads - green band | 200 reads - white band PLUS |



# Phonics

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- Children will continue to use Unlocking Letters and Sounds to support with their phonics learning,
- Children who did not pass the phonics screening will retake it in Year 2 - June 2024.
- They will have additional interventions when possible to support with sounds and blending to help them pass in Year 2.



# Spelling

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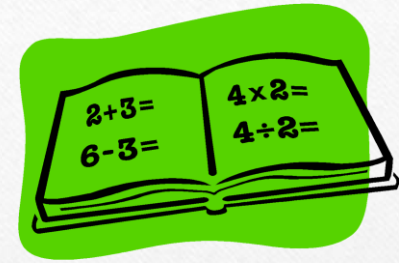
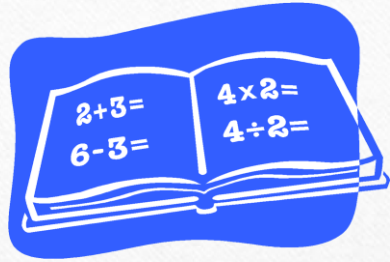
- Children are given a new list of spellings to learn at home at the start of every term. These are chosen from the words that the children are learning in phonics and spelling lessons that week.
- They will have up to 10 spellings each week.
- Children are tested weekly on spellings. It is important that the children practice writing down their spellings regularly at home.

# Writing

- There are many opportunities for children to write in English and other subjects.
- Whilst being a creative writer is important the technical elements take a greater emphasis in the new curriculum. This involves being very accurate with punctuation, ensuring verb tenses are correct and including conjunctions.
- Children are working on joining their handwriting in Year 2.
- Often good writers are children who read widely.
- They do not need to bring pencil cases to school.







# Maths

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- Maths lessons take place every day.
- Children extend their understanding of number through practical and written activities including beginning to learn their times tables (initially the  $2 \times$ ,  $3 \times$ ,  $5 \times$  and  $10 \times$  tables).
- We will build on their previous knowledge and move the children on through the new national curriculum levels.



# Maths at home

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- Help your children to learn their tables by heart and by counting in equal steps in order to start with, then jumble them!
- Involve them in any activities where numbers are involved e.g. going to shops, spending money and receiving change; cooking using weighing scales; spotting shapes in nature; sharing sausages out for tea; using TV guides; telling the time to 5-minute intervals.
- Year 2 will be given their own TT Rockstar account. Let them improve their skills by playing on TT Rockstars and on other Maths apps.

# PE

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- PE days for Year 2: **Tuesday and Thursday**
- Children must wear PE clothing to school on these days.
- They must wear appropriate footwear e.g., trainers.
- If your child cannot do PE for a medical reason let the teacher know.
- Long hair should be tied back.
- Earrings take them out if possible, otherwise they will need covered.



Thank you for coming.  
I am looking forward to  
teaching your children in  
September 😊