

# Welcome to Year 2



Staff

# Meet the Year 2 Team

2G



Mrs Garner



Mrs Strong



Mrs Laks

2W



Mr Whittle

Miss Mubashar

Mrs Kamath

Mr Edwards

Mrs Nice



# Learning Behaviours (Star of the Week)



Teamwork



Perseverance



Independence



Creativity



Curiosity



Reflection

# Values

(The things we truly believe in for **everyone** involved with Highwood. These are used for Best Seat in the House.)

- Celebrating Diversity
- Continual Improvement
- Pride
- Happiness
- Trust
- Respect



# Year 2:

- 8.35am - Doors open and Early Morning Activities
- 8.45 am - Registration
- 9am - Phonics
- 9.30 am – English
- 10.30am - Break
- 10.45am –Handwriting/ Timestables
- 11.00am - Maths
- 12.00pm - Lunch
- 1pm – Registration
- 1:05pm- Reading Fluency and Class Story
- 1.30pm – Topic/ Science/ PE
- 2.45pm –Assembly(on Monday and Fridays )
- 3.15- Home time

# Topics for the Year



Autumn

Was The  
Great Fire of  
London a  
total disaster?



Spring

Where in the  
world would  
you like to  
explore?



Summer

Is there  
really a  
climate  
crisis?

# Homework

Reading records MUST  
come to school every  
day please

- Reading
  - Listen to your child read 3 times a week (minimum) and record it in their reading records – they can earn house points! Please initial it or write 'Dad/Mum' as it helps check if it is reading at home or school. We have some reading helpers who come in too.
  - Read lots of stories to your child – fiction and non-fiction
- Homework
  - This is slightly different across the school.
  - We will still use home work books.
  - The children will bring an activity based on phonics and spelling home on a Monday. They then bring it back in to be marked on Friday.
  - There is an extension if children would like to do more.

## Example

**Common Exception Words** 21.9.26

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| d | o | o | r | d | f | l | o | o | r | y | s |
| h | w | f | r | b | e | h | i | n | d | w | z |
| p | z | i | s | c | d | z | f | g | h | c | j |
| o | l | n | n | o | p | q | r | s | t | h | v |
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| b | e | c | a | u | s | e | j | k | z | m | n |

door floor poor because find kind mind behind child children wild climb

 Challenge!

1.   +      
1. Choose words and write them in a sentence.

2.       
2. Use adjectives in your sentences.

3.  +     
3. Use and in your sentences.

## Example

| EYFS               | Year 1                      | Year 2             | LKS2                         | UKS2               |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Reading 3 x a week | Reading 3 x a week          | Reading 3 x a week | Reading 3 x a week           | Reading 3 x a week |
|                    | Phonics words (summer only) | Phonics/spellings  | Spelling rules/SPAG starters | SPAG               |
|                    |                             |                    | Times tables                 | Maths              |

# Changing Books

- Library slot: Wednesday 2G and Thursday 2W
- Children take 1 book of their choice and keep it for the week.*
- Children will have 2 reading books which they keep for the week. It is important that they read the books 2 or 3 times to help improve their fluency. 2G will change their books on a Friday. 2W will change their books on a Monday*
- Children will begin to choose their own books within their reading colour band to increase independence.*

# Reading Books

Some recommended books for Year 2 from [Year 2 reading list for children aged 6-7 | School Reading List](#)



## Year 2 Common Exception Words

after  
again  
any  
bath  
beautiful  
because  
behind  
both  
break  
busy  
child  
children  
Christmas

class  
climb  
clothes  
could  
cold  
door  
even  
every  
everybody  
eye  
fast  
father  
find

floor  
gold  
grass  
great  
half  
hold  
hour  
improve  
kind  
last  
many  
mind  
money

most  
move  
Mr  
Mrs  
old  
only  
parents  
pass  
past  
path  
people  
plant  
poor

pretty  
prove  
should  
steak  
sugar  
sure  
told  
water  
whole  
who  
wild  
would

# PE kits

PE kits are to be brought into school EVERY Monday and will be sent home on Friday. **PE Days are Monday and Friday (2W) Wednesday and Friday (2G).**

Please can we make sure that a winter PE kit is also provided as we will still do PE outside when the weather turns colder and damp.

PE kits to include; **the green Highwood PE t-shirt, plain black shorts, jogging bottoms, sweatshirt and 2 pairs of trainers if possible. This is outlined in our school uniform policy.**

There are to be NO earrings on PE days. If your child wears earrings and cannot remove them they will be unable to participate in PE for their own safety. We cannot remove earrings for children but they can ask friend.

# Lunch time

- As a reminder, lunches need to be pre-ordered. See communication from Admin. It is helpful if your child knows what they are having.
- Packed lunches and hot school lunches are eaten in the main hall. The children sit with their year group and are expected to show respect and good manners, including correct use of cutlery.

# Keeping in touch with progress

- Year 2 Literacy Workshop – *will be available as a recording on the website.*
- Year 2 Maths workshop to be available as a recording on the website
- Year 2 SPLAT – Thursday 22nd October in the afternoon
- Year 2 Assembly – Spring Term
- Parents' meetings –  
Wed 11th November (3.30-7.00pm) and Thur 12th November (3.30-6.00pm)
- Book Look Thursday 17th December 3.15-3.45pm

- F1 – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 10.30-11.30am
- Foxes, Hedgehogs and Squirrels – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November, 1.30-3.00pm
- Year 2 – Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 1.30-3.00pm
- Year 3 – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November, 1.30-3.00pm
- Year 4 – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 1.30-3.00pm
- Year 5 – Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November, 1.30-3.00pm
- Year 6 – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November, 1.30-3.00pm

# Communication

- Every day – quick chat at the door
- Arrange a meeting
- Share anything with us or other adults in the class you feel is important
- School Website
- Arbor App
- Email – [year2@highwood.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:year2@highwood.wokingham.sch.uk)
- It is important we always have your up-to-date contact information.
- Headteacher's Bulletin

# Questions?

- Ask away – others may also be wondering the same thing!
- Or if you remember something later that you wish you'd asked, send an email to [year2@highwood.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:year2@highwood.wokingham.sch.uk)
- Or talk to us anytime.
- **Thank you for coming!**