



Newbold Verdon Primary School and Community Centre

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Year 2 Newsletter

Dear parent/ carer,

Happy New Year to you all and welcome back to school. I hope that you had a happy and safe holiday. We have an exciting term ahead, with lots of new learning to support your child's progress and enjoyment in learning. Please remember to keep an eye on Seesaw, where we will keep you updated throughout the year with news and events. Here is some useful information for the Spring term.

Here are a few things to help you support your child in Year 2.

Teaching and learning

Please find below an overview of our curriculum and what we will be learning during our time in Year 2.

Y2	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
History		Remembrance Day		Castles		Railways
Geography	Hot and Cold Places		Continents and Oceans		Mugumareno Village (Zambia)	
Science	Habitats from around the world	Living things and habitats	Plants	Animals including humans: life cycles	Use of everyday materials	Animals including humans: health and survival
English	<u>Eco Week</u> Information (The Journey Home) <u>Unit 1 Narrative</u> Journey tale Setting description (Meerkat Mail)	<u>Unit 2 Non-fiction</u> Letters Letter writing (The Day the Crayons Quit) <u>Poetry Unit 1</u> Free Verse Poetry (I am...)	<u>Unit 3 Narrative</u> Action/Adventure Characterisation (Traction Man is Here) <u>Unit 4- Non fiction</u> Instructional text (Bug Hotel/ Insects matter)	<u>Unit 5 Narrative</u> Warning tale Description (Kassim and the Greedy Dragon) <u>Poetry Unit 2</u> Shape poetry	<u>Unit 7 Non-fiction</u> Report Information text Giants <u>Unit 8 Narrative</u> Defeat a monster Openings and endings	<u>Poetry Unit 3</u> Rhyming
RE	Who is a Muslim and how do they live?	Why does Christmas matter to Christians?	Who is a Muslim and how do they live?	Why does Easter matter to Christians?	What is the good news Christians believe Jesus brings?	What makes some places sacred to believers?
PE	CPD- Multi-skills Yoga	CPD-Ball Games Dance	CPD-Gymnastics Archery & Target	Racket Games CPD delivered by Sports Coach	Cricket Invasion games	CPD delivered by Sports Coach Athletics



Art	Craft and design: map it out.		Painting and mixed media: beside the seaside		Sculpture and 3d: clay houses	
DT		Structures: baby bear's chairs		Mechanisms: fairground wheel		Mechanisms: making a moving monster
Computing	Information technology around us (2.1)	Digital photography (2.2)	Robot algorithms (2.3)	Pictograms (2.4)	Making music (2.5)	Programming quizzes (2.6)
PSHE	Me and My Relationships	Valuing Differences	Keeping Safe	Rights and respect	Being my best	Growing and changing
Music	Unit 1 Pulse	Singing	Unit 3- Rhythm Unit 4 Pitch	Unit 4 Pitch	Unit 5 Music Technology	

Forest School

A reminder that every child will have the opportunity to do Forest School. It is important that children bring in a named bag with suitable clothing for this.

This could include;

- old jogging bottoms/ leggings
- old long sleeve top
- old jumpers/ hoodies
- gloves
- wooly hat
- Wellies

The weather is getting increasingly colder and the children will venture into Forest School, whatever the weather.

Maths

This term we will be finding missing numbers, exploring measurement of length, adding whole tens, exploring 2D and 3D shapes and subtracting tens and ones.

Reading:

Reading continues to be a priority as we build fluency, speed and expression alongside reading comprehension. You may have noticed the children have an extra 'book bag' story each week which they can also read at home. We encourage you to read together as much as possible. Please could you write in the Reading Diary every time your child reads to an adult. Thank you.

PE

Our PE days are **Tuesday and Friday.**

Please make sure that your child's PE kit in school **every** day. We have a limited spare PE kit in school so it is essential that your child is dressed appropriately to be able to participate fully. **Please ensure all clothing is named.**

PE kit:

Indoor: white T-shirt, black shorts and plimsolls.

Outdoor: white T-shirt, warm jogging top, joggers and trainers

We would like to remind you that **no jewellery** should be worn for PE.

Homework:

Home learning tasks will be set each week. These will be sent home on a **Friday** and should be returned the following **Thursday**.

1. Reading – a Phonics book and a Sharing Book
2. Maths homework
3. English homework

We appreciate your support with helping your child to complete these tasks.

We hope that this term will be filled with many more learning experiences and enjoyable moments. Please feel free to talk to us at drop off and pick up times or alternatively through Seesaw with any queries or concerns.

Thank you for your support and co-operation.

With warmest wishes,

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