



Newbold Verdon Primary School

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Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter – Autumn Term

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school, I hope you had a lovely summer break and made the most of the beautiful weather we have had. I am looking forward to the Autumn Term with you in Year 2 - we have an amazing year ahead planned with activities to support your child's learning and progress.

Enrichment activities- Each term as part of the curriculum, your child will participate in Forest School with Mrs North and Art/DT lessons with Ms Hicks. Your child will be taking part in both sessions on the same day. Therefore, your child will always need to be dressed in their Forest School clothing for Forest School days (old clothing suitable for outdoor learning, wellington boots, waterproofs). Please ensure Forest School clothing is clearly named.

Our sessions are on a Tuesday every 2 weeks.

Here are a few reminders of how you can support your child during Year 2

Starting time- our school doors open at **8:40am** and lessons start promptly at **8:50am**. This means that your child can benefit from 10 minutes of additional reading and learning each day. Please make sure that your child arrives on time to make the most of their learning experience.

P.E Kit – Children will come into school in their P.E uniform on their P.E days. PE uniform consists of black shorts, leggings, or jogging bottoms, white t-shirt, black jumper and trainers. Please ensure that this is named. Please also ensure that this uniform is worn as we shouldn't be wearing things like football t-shirts on PE days.

Year 2 will have P.E. on a Friday

School uniforms should be worn at all times. This includes black or grey trousers/skirt/shorts and a white or blue polo shirt. In addition, a royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan can be worn and shoes should be black. **These should be named.** No jewellery other than ear studs should be worn.

Healthy school - We are part of the Food for Life initiative and know that children learn best when they are fuelled with a balanced, nutritional diet. Children should bring in fruit or vegetable snacks for breaktime and bottles filled with water only. We are a **nut and seed free school**.

Water bottles – All children should bring a named water bottle every day. We ask children to take their water bottles home every night and bring them back the next morning. This will ensure they are regularly cleaned.

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Homework consists of reading 5 times a week, walk and talk topics, spellings and times tables. Children's maths homework is set online on Times Tables Rock Stars. Maths **homework changed to 15 minutes of TTRockstars every week last year and this will continue throughout the year (across the whole school)**. Their spellings will be sent out each week, we have focussed spellings based on phonics groups they are in. Children can also practise their spellings on LetterJoin.

English Retrieval of basic sentence structure and handwriting techniques. Grammar, punctuation and spelling throughout Dictation Expanded noun phrases- book focus The Egg by M P Robertson	Maths Numbers to 100 and beyond Exploring patterns Addition and subtraction An ongoing focus times tables (2s, 3s, 5s and 10s)	Science Habitats from around the world Living things and their habitats	Art/Design and Technology	PE Multi skills Ball games
History The Victorians Geography Where we live	RE Who is Jewish and how do they live?	Computing Information Technology in the world beyond school E-safety	PSHE Me and my relationships Valuing differences	Music Pulse Rhythm

Please feel free to contact me through the school office with any queries or concerns.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Bowe – Year 2 Class Teacher