

Meet the Teacher.

Year Two Team.

Otters -Mrs Buckley (Class Teacher) and Mrs Child (TA)



Red Squirrels- Mrs Angell/Mrs Chimes (Class Teachers) and Miss Firth (TA)



It is lovely to have everybody back in school and we are really looking forward to the year ahead. As we are unable to run the Meet the Teacher Meetings this year we have put together a few details about Year 2.

Entry and Exit.

We would like to remind you that gates open for Year 2 children from 8.30 until 9am. Children will be supervised sanitising their hands upon entry to the classroom. They will need to make their way independently to their classroom each morning where they will be greeted by their class teacher. The Year 2 children will exit onto the far end playground and will be ready to be picked up at 3.10. Please can we ask that you arrive promptly for pick up. Red Squirrels will stand next to the Forest Area and Otters will stand in the middle of the playground. We will only let children leave their class line and come to you when we can ensure that you will be able to exit the school grounds safely while maintaining social distancing rules.

Book bags and Reading books.

Please **only** bring book bags in on a Monday and Friday. Children will be able to choose more than one individual reading book on both of these days so will have plenty to read. We would expect you to listen to your child read at least 4 times every week. If your child finishes a book before book change, please encourage them to read it again. You could discuss the book with your child, write a book review or choose a book from home to read. We will provide comprehension prompts to support you with this.

Library Day

Children will be able to bring library books into school on a Friday to be changed. These are also books that you can share and read with your child.

All books, reading and library, will be quarantined before being made available again.

Equipment

Physical contact with items must be kept to an absolute minimum so children must not bring in their own equipment for class. They will only need to bring in their school coat and water bottle. Wellie boots need to be brought into school to be left to use each day. Lunches, hats and sun-cream needs to be brought in if needed. Please make sure that each individual item is named. We would politely request that no toys or items that children want to show are brought into school at this time. Photographs on Tapestry will allow us to share these for very special occasions.

Classes and Lining Up

The classes will remain in class bubbles. Children will have a partner to sit next to in class and will line up with their partner too.

Fit Friday

On Fridays, children will need to come to school in their Fit Friday uniforms. This needs to be plain tracksuit bottoms /leggings, suitable trainers, red or white T-shirt and Fit Friday hoodie. Earrings need to be removed prior to coming into school. We will inform you of the activities your child will be doing each term. This term Otters will be doing Forest School and a PE lesson on a Friday. We are hoping to take Red Squirrels swimming but are awaiting guidance on this. Red Squirrels will also have a PE lesson on the Friday too.

Homework

Each week we will expect you to listen to your child read at least 4 times.

We will also send home spellings each week and some form of maths, either a challenge or practise.

We will not be collecting homework in, so any work that is completed can be photographed and added to Tapestry.

Communication with Teacher

We will be using Tapestry to keep in touch with you all. If you have a message or information that you need us to know, please post before 8.30 each morning.

Assessment

Your child would have had their Phonics Screening Assessment in June. We will now be carrying out the assessment in the second half of this term.

As far as we know, SATs assessments will still take place in May.

Parents Consultations

We will be offering Parents Evenings on **Tuesday 3rd and Thursday 5th November**. This year, these consultations will be a 10 minute telephone call. We will discuss how your child is settling into Year 2 and targets for this term.

This is going to be a different but nonetheless exciting year in school and as always we very much appreciate all of the support you give to both us and your children.