



Spring is here! Welcome back Year 2. We are now half way through our Year 2 adventures. I am looking forward to the half term ahead. Not only will we celebrate World Book day but we will also be going on a school trip to take part in a celebration of music at Pudsey Civic Hall. Parents are warmly invited to our class assembly to see some of the fantastic learning we have already undertaken this year too.

PE Days will be Monday and Friday this half term.

### School Uniform

- Lemon yellow polo shirt
- Jade green jumper or cardigan (with or without the school logo)
- Grey trousers, skirt, shorts or pinafore
- Black shoes or trainers
- Yellow summer dress

### PE Kit

- White t shirt
- Black or navy leggings, shorts, jogging bottoms (no branded logos)
- Trainers
- Black or navy hoody for outdoor PE (school jumper to be worn during the day)

### Dates for Your Diary

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March** – Pupil progress for parents and carers.

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March** – World book day: children can come dressed as a book character or in their comfy reading clothes.

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March** – Assessment week

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March** - @3.30pm – Rainbow Market

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March** – Come and See: Art @ 2.45pm

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April** – Easter Bonnet Parade and Egg Decorating competition

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April** – School closes for the Easter break

### Attendance and Punctuality

Children should be ready to start school at 8:55am – class teachers are on the playgrounds from 8:50am so that they can meet the children and be ready in the classrooms for 8:55am.

Children are marked as late if they arrive between 9am and 9:15am. Children arriving after 9:15am receive a 'late after registers have closed' mark which is classed as an unauthorised absence.

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, please contact us to let us know why.

When attendance drops below 90% it is classed as persistent absence.



# Curriculum Information

**English:** This half term our English will be focused on the book 'The Tadpole's Promise'. Children will be using the story to explore the use of apostrophes for possession and contraction and learning how to enhance their story writing with adverbials.

**Maths:** In Maths children will be completing their multiplication and division module. They will begin to learn their 2, 10 and 5 times tables. They will also be introduced to Times Table Rock Stars a great learning tool that can be used and at home to enhance the children's number fluency.

**RE:** We will finish exploring Islam throughout the spring term. Children will learn about what it means to be a Muslim and explore how Muslims live. They will learn stories about the Prophet and about the Five Pillars of Islam.

**Science:** In Science we are learning about changes in **Animals and Humans as they Grow**. We will learn about the essential needs for healthy living.

**PSHE:** Our PSHE topic relates to Rights and Respect. Children will learn how to build positive relationships with others in a safe and fun manner.

**Geography:** Our geography topic is exploring the world. We will be learning the names of the different continents and exploring where on earth we find the hottest and coldest places.

**Art:** Children will be exploring pottery and designing and creating their own clay piece of work.

**Computing:** We will be introducing Scratch a programming software. Children will learn to become computer programmers. They will design simple codes for different purposes.

**Music:** We are focussing on contrasting dynamics with the theme of Space alongside singing to prepare for our school trip to the music festival.

**PE:** We will be doing Target Games Unit alongside Yoga in our PE lessons.



Let your light shine before others that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven, Matthew 5:16  
Aspiration – Courage – Kindness – Forgiveness – Respect – Community

How you can help at home with English:

- Read with your child.
- Read a bedtime story to your child every day.
- Practise writing with your child, ensuring they are forming each letter accurately.
- Watch CBeebies TV programme **Alphablocks**
- Practise spellings

How you can help at home with maths:

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- Practise counting forwards and backwards to 100.
- Play games to practise number bonds up to 20, particularly focus on number bonds to 10 and to 20.
- Download the **Whiterose**