

Yorke Mead Primary School



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**Welcome
to
Year 2**

My Day at School

When I come into the classroom I will organise myself. Each morning I will take my reading record and reading book, any letters for my teacher and any homework I need to hand in out of my book bag.

We usually do our English work, Phonics and Maths in the morning, and our topic work including Art, History, Music, Geography, P4C, Science etc. activities in the afternoon. We do try to link our work together so that our English and maths work is also part of our topic work.

We have a playtime in the morning and afternoon. This helps us to practise our gross motor skills and also helps us towards the daily recommended one hour a day exercise all children should have. In the morning we all take part in the daily mile too.

At the end of the day, I will put my reading book and any letters back into my book bag, so please remember to check it each night.

What will I learn?

This year we will cover the following topics:

	1 st Half	2 nd Half
AUTUMN	Oceans and Seas	Great Fire of London
SPRING	Cold Climates	Changes in Schools
SUMMER	Hot Climates	Significant People

Home Learning

I will be given home learning each **Friday**. Home learning will need to be handed in by the following Wednesday. This will include a piece of either English, Maths or Topic plus a spelling activity. I need to know my 2, 5, 10 x table. Please help me to learn my spellings and times tables at home. It is better to practise these for a few minutes every day rather than just once a week. I may also occasionally have some topic home learning.

Spellings

I will have weekly spelling lessons, which will link to the homework that is sent home. The Y2 spelling list will be sent out on week commencing the 8th September.

Reading

I will read my phonics book to my teacher during reading practise sessions. I may read my reading book to an adult during school. Books will only be changed (**Monday, Wednesday and Friday**) if they have been read at home and this has been **recorded** in the reading diary. It is important that my reading record is always signed with a date and a comment to help my teacher know how I am getting on with the book. It is good for me to re-read books to develop my fluency and comprehension skills. We are happy for you to do this, if your book has not been changed.

On a Monday my teaching assistant will put a stamp in my book if I have had my book signed at least 4 times the previous week. Once I have 10 stamps I will receive my bronze reading award, 20 stamps the silver reading award and 30 the gold reading award.

As I go through Year 2, my books will get longer and I may just read a few pages and talk about these each day. I don't have to read the whole book each night but please do record how much I have read in my diary each time.

Who works in my classroom?

Year 2 Horse Chestnut: Mrs Carter and Mrs Williams

Year 2 Cedar: Miss Hutchins

Mrs Bentley, Ms Butler and Mrs Rann will be working across both classrooms.

Timetable

Here is a copy of our timetable for the week. Please note that it is subject to change, depending on the curriculum demands, but we hope it will give you an idea about what might be happening in school each day.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40-8:50 Busy Fingers	PHONICS			
9:00-9:30 READING PRACTICES	9:00-10:00			
9:55 - 10:30	English	English	English	English
10:30	English	English	Check four	Celebrate
10:30-10:45	Singing	English	10:30-10:45	10:30-10:45
Play Time 10:30-10:45				
11:00 - 12:00	Maths	Maths	Maths 3	Maths 4
12-1pm lunch				
1-1:15 Handwriting - ensure children who have less				
1:15 - 2:05	Science	Library	PE	RE
Playtime 2:05-2:17				
2:20 - 3:00	Science	Art	Geography	Computing
3:00-3:15	PSHE	Story	Getting ready for home	