

How can you help?

- Find time to talk to your child about what he/she has done at school.
- Share a book together with your child....make it fun!
- Practice his/her spellings and counting with him/her...sing them or chant them...
- Find a quiet corner in the house for him/her to do his/her homework...and then encourage him/her to do it and bring it in on time.
- Visit the library to find interesting books or web sites – we have a list of good websites for children – ask your child’s teacher.
- Encourage your child to come to school every day...on time...learning is fun....school is a great place to be!
- Can you tell us anything about our topics or themes. Let your child’s teacher know!
- Encourage your child to practice his/her handwriting.

A Curriculum Newsletter for Our Parents



Do you want to know what your child is learning at school....and how you can help.....? *read on!*

Spring 2024—2025

Year Two

This half term we will be learning about:

In our second term in Year 2, we will be considering the cause and subsequent impact of the Great Fire of Gateshead and Newcastle, learning the events of this significant local disaster and creating our own bridge structures to investigate what makes a bridge strong. We will also be thinking about growth and survival and considering what animals need to survive and how to stay fit and healthy and exploring questions like 'Why can't meerkats live in the North Pole?' and making our own meerkat finger puppets.

We will also be continuing to have Phonics and SPaG, Basic Skills, English and Maths sessions on a daily basis and focussing on Traditional Tales & Key Stories in English. In maths we will focus on Multiplication and Division, Statistics, Geometry, Fraction and Measurement.

Our PE sessions are on a Monday and a Thursday. PE kits, indoor and outdoor, should be brought to school on a Monday and left in school for the week.

Reading books—Your child will read regularly with an adult in school but should also aim to read at least one book per week using the online version of our school books via Bug Club. Each group will change books once per week according to the timetable on display on the classroom window and available on Google Classroom. .

**Any questions please do not
hesitate to ask.**



Our targets

To achieve success this term the children will aspire to meet the following targets:

In Writing

- To correctly form our letters
- To write in different ways e.g. a story, a piece of non-fiction writing, a poem, a letter and other genres of writing
- To use our knowledge of sounds to write difficult words
- To write in sentences, using basic punctuation

In Reading

- To read sentences on our own
- Retell stories in the correct order, using story language
- Use non-fiction texts to find answers to questions

In Mathematics

- To use maths ideas to solve problems
- Use vocabulary related to multiplication and division
- To mentally recall number bonds to 10 and 20
- To recognise, count and order numbers to 100 and beyond
- To have rapid recall of x2, x5 and x10 tables.
- To use mathematical language to describe 2D and 3D shapes.