## YEAR 2 AUTUMN 1 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER 2021

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school after our long summer break! I am delighted to be working with your children in Year 2, who are already settling in well and working hard

We are lucky to have Mrs O'Donnell, our new teaching assistant, in class all week to support the Year 2 children.

In English this half term, we will be studying a range of Anthony Browne books and looking closely at "Silly Billy" and "The Tunnel". Through these texts, we will be working towards writing letters, character descriptions and writing our own simple stories with a familiar setting. We will focus on different aspects of grammar and punctuation recapping full stops, capital letters, question marks and sentence structure as well as learning about using different joining words. We will also continue to practise our handwriting, the Year 1/2 spelling patterns and common exception words.

In maths this half term, we will be looking at place value and number operations including addition and subtraction. In place value, we will be counting, reading, writing, and comparing numbers to at least 100 and recognising the value of each digit in a two-digit number. We will be learning to add and subtract two-digit numbers and apply what we have learnt to problem solving. We will also have a short session each week working on arithmetic skills and mental maths.

I would just like to draw your attention to a special parish event this half term. On Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September there is a Family Mass at the parish church of St Mary's. I know Fr Emmanuel is really looking forward to welcoming you and your families at church.

Please don't hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Many thanks,





"Happy together in God's family, we love, arow and learn."

## **Important Days**

## Monday:

Reading books changed PE lesson (come in PE kit)

**Wednesday:** PE lesson (come in PE kit)

Friday:

Spelling Test

## **Important Dates**

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September Football taster for Yea<u>r 2</u>

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September
Non uniform & Bun Sale for
Good Shepherd Appeal

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September Individual Photos

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September Macmillan Coffee Afternoon 2.15pm

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September
School Birthday
Celebrations

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October Rosary Day

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October Harvest Festival 2:30pm

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October English Parents Meeting for Year 2 3:30pm

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October
Parents Evening
4pm – 6:30pm

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October Parents Evening 4pm – 6:30pm

Thursday 21st October Last day of the half term

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October Training Day School Closed