A Y2 Guide for Parents and Carers

We hope that this will provide you with some useful information about Year 2 over the coming year. We value and appreciate parental support and interest in the curriculum and we are sure that your child does too.

Ms Williamson, Mrs Siggs, Mrs Wales and Mrs Iosson will be teaching in Year 2 this year, supported by Mrs Smith and Mrs Crossland.

**Topic Work**

We teach History, Geography and Science through broader overarching topics. Other subjects e.g. Art / Design Technology, P.E., Music, R.E. may also be incorporated. We will be continuing with Literacy and Maths as separate subjects, but making links with the topics wherever possible. ICT skills will be developed through its use as a tool in all areas of the curriculum. Each week there will be a dedicated session for ‘Learning for Life’ (L4L). During these sessions, children will develop the skills and attitudes they need to become life-long learners and active, responsible citizens.

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Check the website for regular updates. We will blog every Friday.

**Proposed visits and events for 2016/2017**

The costs are only a guide and are based on previous year's prices. In order to spread the cost of the visits and expenses, it will be possible for parents to pay in instalments. This can be arranged by contacting Mrs Cooper in the office.

**Autumn**

Fire Station  Free

**Spring**

Florence Nightingale visit £3.00
Weston Park weather station £1.40

**Summer**

School Camp night! £3.50
Yorkshire Wildlife Park £11.00
Meet the creature‘ £4.00

Other trips and visits may be undertaken during the year and we will be in contact with you closer to the event.

**Indoor Footwear**

Indoor plimsolls should be worn at all times. Please ensure your child's name is written inside on both.
**Homework**

**Reading:**
Regular reading with an adult is very important. We would recommend 5 - 10 minute sessions each day, including discussion about the book.

**Spelling:**
Children will receive spellings lists to learn on Mondays, which will be tested on the following Monday. More details to follow.

**Maths:**
Maths homework will vary and may consist of times tables and division homework, worksheets or time on Education City.

**Topic:**
From time to time, we may ask children to do an extra homework activity, linked to topic work.

**P.E and Games**
If your child is unable to take part in a PE lesson, a note from home is required. For indoor PE children should wear a white T-shirt and black shorts. For gymnastics and dance, footwear is not required, however we recommend plimsolls for indoor games activities. Long hair should be tied back. Earrings must not be worn in school in line with the school uniform policy. Outdoor games take place on either the playground or the field so a change of footwear, such as trainers is essential. Also a sweatshirt and jogging trousers are necessary during cold weather. Again, all these items should be clearly named.

In Y2 PE lessons will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

**Parents’ Evenings**
As you may know, at Bradway we believe that good communication with parents is crucial if pupils are to achieve their potential at school. In response to feedback from parents, we have moved the 1st parents evening to the end of the Autumn term, in order to provide more in-depth information about their progress, to discuss their wellbeing and how you can help them at home. Of course if you wish to meet us to discuss your child’s needs at any time before this, you are always welcome to make an appointment.
An informal parent’s welcome meeting is to be held on **Wednesday, 14th September** in Year 2 W/S area to introduce ourselves to you and to offer further information about life in year 2. We hope to see you there.

**Drop off and Pick up**
In the morning, please wait with your child on the infant playground, where they will be collected by their class teacher.
At home time, please collect your child from the Y2 area:
Y2W- from the practical area door near the gate
Y2WS - from the classroom door to the outside.

The Year 2 Team is looking forward to the new academic year and to working together with you and your child to help them enjoy their learning and achieve their best.
Help
We are always grateful to receive help in school so if you feel able to assist, please tick the areas and return the slip below to your child’s class teacher.

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Days & Times Available

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Print name

Telephone Number