



Year 2

Tuesday 15th September 2026

Welcome back to school

Teachers:

Miss. Wood - Monday and Friday

Mrs. Gander - Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

Learning support assistant

Morning- Mrs Tobin



Uniform

EVERYTHING named please.

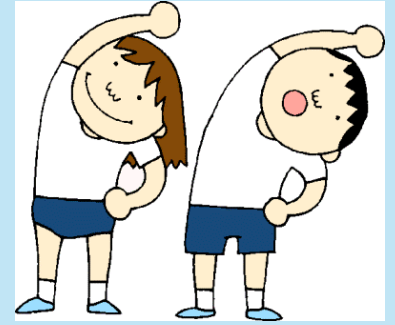
We'll do our very best to return items to you if we know who they belongs to.

- Hair tied back if it is shoulder length - girls and boys.
- Hair ribbons and bands should be green, black or white.
- No hair products, such as gel or wax.
- No pictures or shapes cut into the hair. A number 2 is fine.
- No nail varnish or tattoos
- **No earrings- Essex policy**
- Black school shoes. Please avoid slip on shoes for girls which could fall off when running.
- Summer- Girls - Green and white checked dress/ skirt- must ensure that the lower part has the appearance of a skirt and not shorts



P.E

Tuesday and Friday



This half term will be games and gymnastics.

White shorts

School t-shirt

White socks

Trainers

School track suit top and bottoms.





Lunch



Snacks - All infants are provided with a snack at break time.

School dinners- Please order lunches online the day before.

Packed lunches- No fizzy drinks , chocolate bars or sweets please.
Please avoid foods which contain nuts and Nutella spread.

Pupil Premium/Free school meals - we can apply for a government grant to help with additional support and school lunches. Please contact the office for more information



Medical Needs



Please complete the medical forms (available on the website)

Asthma pumps and attachments clearly named please. These should be in school every day.

Please check that medication is still in date.

Please report any new diagnoses as soon as possible.

Medication needs to be signed in at the office please.



Year 2- Curriculum overview

	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
Maths	White Rose Place value (4 weeks) Addition and Subtraction (5 weeks) Shape (3 weeks)		White Rose Money (2 weeks) Multiplication and Division (5 weeks) Length and Height (2 weeks) Mass, Capacity and Temperature (3 weeks)		White Rose Fractions (3 weeks) Time (2 weeks) Statistics (2 weeks) Position and Direction (2 weeks)	
English (writing)	Pathways to Write Troll Swap by Leigh Hodgkinson Outcome - Fiction: focus on characters	Pathways to Write The Owl who was afraid of the dark by Jill Tomlinson Outcome - Non-chronological report	Pathways to Write Dragon Machine by Helen Ward Outcome - Fiction: adventure focus	Pathways to Write Major Glad, Major Dizzy by Jan Oke Outcome - Recount: diary entry	Pathways to Write The Last Wolf by Mini Grey Outcome - Letter: letter in role	Pathways to Write Grandad's Secret Giant by David Litchfield Outcome - Fiction: moral focus
English (reading)	Little Wandle Phonics					
RE	Day by Day Creation and Covenant	Day by Day Prophecy and Promise	Day by Day Galilee to Jerusalem	Day by Day Desert to Garden	Day by Day To the Ends of the Earth	Day by Day Dialogue and Encounter
Science	Habitats	Microhabitats	Use of Everyday Materials	Lifecycles and Health	Plant Growth	Plant Based Materials
History		The Great Fire of London		How did we learn to fly?		What is a monarch?
Geography	Would you prefer to live in a hot or a cold place?		Why is our world wonderful? Animal habitats – Polar bears in the Arctic		What is it like to live by the coast? Coastal erosion in Norfolk	
Music		Sing Up Carnival of the Animals Composing music inspired by birdsong		Sing Up Grandma rap		Sing Up Tanczymy Labada
Art	Access Art Explore and Draw		Access Art Expressive Painting		Access Art Be an Architect	
PE	Gymnastics 1 Karate	Dance 1 Games – attack, defend, shoot 1	Gymnastics 2 Games - run, jump throw 1	Dance 2 Games – send & return 1	Games – hit, catch & run 1 Games - run, jump throw 2	Games – send & return 2 Games – hit, catch & run 2
Computing	Kapow Computing Systems & Networks – What is a computer?		Kapow Programming 2 – Scratch		Kapow Data handling - International Space Station	
PSHE/RSE	Kapow Families & Relationships	Kapow Health & Wellbeing	No Outsiders Catholic Social Teaching	Kapow Citizenship	Kapow Economic Wellbeing	Kapow RSE Safety & the Changin Body
DT		Kapow Structures – Baby Bear's Chair		Kapow Mechanisms – Mechanical animals		Kapow Cooking – Balanced diet

Homework

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YEAR 2- Homework grid

Autumn 1



Choose one item from the activities each week to complete.

Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3
English Design your own troll and write a description of him/her. Remember: Full stops, capital letters, fingers spaces, noun phrases (adjectives)	Science Our topic this half term is Habitats. Draw a picture of one habitat, label the plants and animals that live there. e.g. woodland, rainforest, desert, ocean, arctic	RE We have read Noah's Ark in school. Retell the story to your family and tell them about the covenant.
Activity 4	Activity 5	Activity 6
Maths Practise your number bonds to 20. Which pairs of numbers make 10? Which pairs make 20? How quickly can you recall them? https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button (number bonds to 10 and 20)	Geography Learn the 7 continents and a key fact about each continent. Use this song to help you. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K6DSMZ8b3LE	Explore Go on an Autumn walk. Use your senses. What can you see, smell, hear and touch? What could collect on your walk?
Reading	Spelling	Timetable Rock Stars
The children are bringing reading books home weekly. Children are expected to read daily for at least 10 minutes. Please keep a record of what your child has read in their reading diary. Books need to be brought to school every day. Parents, please sign your child's reading diary daily to identify that they have read. 	A new spelling rule will come home weekly, which the children will have been exposed to in school. Please ensure that spellings are practised frequently. Spelling tests will take place on Fridays. 	Please ensure that children are accessing Numbots. Practising little and often is effective. Try for 10 minutes per day! 



Spellings will be linked to the sounds we are learning in our daily phonics lessons.

Spellings will be put on the class 2 page on the school website.

Things you can practise regularly:

- Reading aloud and discussing the story, including the meaning of unknown words. Make predictions and give reasons.
- Telling the time
- Using money
- Times tables- 2, 5 and 10



Contact

- If you need to tell us anything, please send in a note with your child.
- Any urgent messages/issues please phone or email the school office : admin@st-josephworker.essex.sch.uk





Coffee Morning

Date: Friday 25th September

Time: 9am

Place: School Hall



Thank you!

We are looking forward to a great year in *Class 2*

