

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Year 2– Spring (1st half)



Welcome back.

I hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas break and a happy New Year. We have lots of exciting learning planned for this half-term. Please see attached our topic overview to give you an idea of the new things we will be exploring in class.

We will post homework on Google Classroom every Friday as well as any other updates. It is vital that you check it **each week**.

Year 2 home learning

| Subject | | |
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| Reading | Weekly (Thursday or Friday) | We expect the children to read at home daily. Daily practice can really support your child's progress, even if it is just for five minutes every day. |
| Spelling/ Phonics/ Maths/Topic | Friday | Homework will be posted every Friday on Google Classroom. |

Reminders

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| School lunch and snacks | Year 2 children are entitled to a free school lunch every day. Please see the school website for the menu and now order the meals on Parent Pay. You can send a packed lunch if you prefer. We promote healthy eating at school and so lunch boxes should not contain more than one chocolate snack and one packet of crisps. Children are welcome to bring fresh fruit or vegetables for a snack at break time. We are a nut free school. We have children with potentially fatal nut allergies in school, therefore no food containing nuts may be sent into school. |
| Drinks | Your child must have a named water bottle in school every day. Please only send in water, no juice or fizzy is allowed. |
| Uniform | Please ensure all uniform is clearly named. Grey trousers or shorts, grey skirt or pinafore dress, white or grey socks, grey tights, White polo shirt, Green logo school sweatshirt or cardigan. Warm weather option – green and white gingham dress (dress with shorts instead of skirt is acceptable) Hair past shoulder length must be tied back – please use plain hairbands in green, black or white, not brightly coloured bows. Nail varnish is not allowed. School shoes must be black and no heels, trainers or boots. |
| PE kit | Green t-shirt with school logo, black shorts, black or navy jogging bottoms and trainers. Ear rings must be removed or covered with tape for PE lessons. Watches must be removed for PE. PE kit must be worn into school on a <u>Monday (starting 13th January)</u> and a <u>Thursday</u> . |
| Bags | Reception, Yr 1 and 2 children must have a book bag in school. This is so books can easily be checked and letters put in. Children can have a bag or rucksack in school but please avoid the large bulky ones as 30 rucksacks take up a lot of room in the class. |

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| Mornings | School starts promptly at 8.55am. Your child will be greeted at the patio gate by an adult. Please only pass on quick messages then, for a longer meeting please make an appointment. Children and parents arriving after 9.00am will be asked to sign in at the office. |
| After school | School finishes at 3.30pm. If someone other than yourself is collecting your child please ensure the office has their details. We will not let them leave unless we are sure they are safe. |
| Contact details | Please ensure you contact details and those of other people who may collect your child are always kept up to date. Please see the office asap if you change your phone number or address. |

Teaching assistants

The teaching assistants who will be working with your child this half term are Miss Preston and Mrs Kerr.

Student Teachers

We have Miss Schunck and Miss Delarge training to teach in year 2 throughout the Spring Term. We will be saying goodbye Miss Schunck at the end of January.

Specialist teachers

Mrs Gates will be teaching the children on Thursday afternoons. We will also have a session with Primary Sports on a Thursday morning.

We recognise the importance of passing information between parents and school so we are available at the start and end of the day if you need to pass on any messages. However, if you would like a longer chat please make an appointment with us.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Spinks and Mrs O'Mahony.