### Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy half term! It has been packed full of learning and your children getting up to speed with the new rules and routines of Year 2.

We enjoyed a super trip to Temple Newsam House — the staff commented on how wellbehaved and polite your children were. We hope you all have a restful half term break.

## Autumn Term 2025

Your children will be continue to be taught by Mr Warwick (Wildcats) and Miss Mathewson (Moorhens) from Monday to Friday. Classes will be covered by Mrs Godrich and Mrs Bishop.

The school gates open at 8:40am and register will be taken at 8:50am. If you are later than 8.55am, the gates will be closed and you will need to report to the front office.

Children are expected to wear the correct school uniform, including plain black shoes or trainers, a white polo shirt and grey skirt/trousers. Children can wear a plain, stud earring in each ear if they wish. Hairbands should be plain and no other jewellery (necklaces/bracelets etc) should be worn.

#### At Home

Your child should now have brought home a reading book that is matched to their reading level.

It is vital that you read with you child at least 3 times a week and ask them questions based on what they have read. If your child has read the previous night, please return their reading record to school the following day to be checked.

Encouraging your child to read a range of different text types will foster a love of reading as well as develop their reading ability.

We have now sent home the children's login details for Times Tables Rockstars. The enthusiasm and effort so far has been fantastic so a big thank you for your support at home. We will start to set up battles between the Year 2 classes (and other year groups!) to keep up the interest in practicing times tables.



An Information Booklet for Parents and Carers Year 2

## Staff Names:

Mr Warwick

Miss Mathewson

Mrs Quigley

Miss Pickard



# What are we learning this half term?

In English, we will be finishing off our learning on The True Story of the Three little Pigs.
The children have enjoyed writing about the Big Bad Wolf so far and have enjoyed reading the twisted fairytale version. We will then move onto The Tin Forest and the Polar Express, focusing on descriptive writing and poetry.

In Maths, we will be continuing to learn about addition and subtraction. The children will be spotting and noticing relationships and patterns when they are adding and subtracting by using a 100 square.

In Science, we are learning about materials and the properties of these. We will be learning about how suitable materials are for their purpose.

Our **Geography** focus for this half term is the *How is our World organised?* We will be learning about the 5 oceans and continents, including finding them on a map.

# Key Texts this half term

This half term, we are studying *The Tin Forest* and *The Polar Express*.

### Contact

For concerns or queries relating to your child's learning, your first point of contact is one of the Year 2 class teachers (Mr Warwick or Miss Mathewson). The easiest method is to speak to one of us at the end of the school day. However, you can also contact us via the below email address:

#### KSI@tnhps.rklt.co.uk

Other concerns relating to absence, school uniform, lunches etc. should be directed to the school office.

# Key dates

Thursday 6th November — KSI Halloween Disco Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November — Christmas Fayre Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December — KSI Pantomime trip Thursday II<sup>th</sup> December — KSI Nativity 9am and 2:15pm

#### Things to remember...

#### P.E Days

Year 2's P.E. days are **Mondays** On these days, please wear your PE kit to school. PE kit is as follows: plain white t-shirt, school jumper (old or new), black shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms and plain trainers. PE will be outside throughout the year so children should be prepared for this weather.

Jewellery should not be worn during PE lessons. Earrings that can't be removed should be taped over.

## What to bring to school

All stationery is provided by school. Children should not bring pencil cases.

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Toys or special mementos should not be brought in as they can be lost or broken.

Coats, jumpers, hats and gloves should be labelled with your child's name.

Remember to bring a water bottle your name on every day!