

Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 2! We hope that you and the children have all had a restful summer break and that your children are ready to get started with some learning.

Year 2 will be a busy year but we are excited to get started and are looking forward to helping the children make as much progress as they can.

Autumn Term 2026

Your children will be taught by Mrs Quinn (Quails) and Miss Goddard (Goldfinches) from Monday to Friday, apart from PPA days when the children will be taught by Mrs Bishop and Mr Hewitt.

The school gates open at 8:40am and register will be taken at 8:50am. If you are later than 9am, 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) or large hair accessories should be worn.

At Home

Your child will be bringing home a reading book that is carefully matched to their reading level.

It is vital that you read with your 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.

At the end of last year, your child brought home a log in for Times Table Rockstars. This is a fun and interactive method for your children to learn their times tables. Good knowledge of 2,5 and 10 times tables is so important for their learning in Year 2 and beyond.

If you have lost the log-in over the summer break please don't worry; a new one will have been stapled on the corner of your child's Reading Record.



An Information Booklet for Parents and Carers Year 2

Staff Names:

Mrs Quinn

Miss Goddard

Mrs Quigley

Miss Frosdick



What are we learning this half term?

In **English** we are kicking off the year by reading 'Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' by David & Ronda Armitage. We will be recapping letter formation and sentence writing skills from Year 1 as well as writing instructions on making sandwiches!

In **Maths**, we are beginning Year 2 by recapping place value, including counting skills and numbers to 100 using mathematical vocabulary to describe how many tens and ones. We will then move on to addition and subtraction up to 2 digits.

In **Science**, we are going to be studying Living Things and Their Habitats and thinking about where animals live and what they need to survive.

Our **History focus** for this half term is Temple Newsam House – a house through time. As well as visiting Temple Newsam, we will be looking at how it has changed through the years.

Key Texts this half term

This half term, we are studying *Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch*

Our class reading book will be Dick King Smith's classic – *the Hodgeheg*.

Upcoming Events

TBC – Local walk to Temple Newsam

Wed 2nd Dec – KS1 Pantomime trip

Contact

For concerns or queries relating to your child's learning, your first point of contact is one of the Year 2 class teachers (Mrs Quinn or Miss Goddard). 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:

KS1@tnhps.rklt.co.uk

Things to remember...

P.E Days

Year 2's P.E. days are **Mondays**. On this day, please wear your PE kit to school. PE kit is as follows: plain white t-shirt, school jumper, 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 must not be worn during PE lessons. Earrings that can't be removed need be taped over at home.

What to bring to school

All stationery is provided by school. Children do not need to bring pencil cases.

All your child needs is their bookbag each day so please avoid sending children in with large rucksacks as space in the cloakroom is limited. Please encourage your child to bring only one keyring on their bookbag, as these can take up a lot of space in book bag boxes.

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

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