

Advent 1

Year 2 Newsletter

Welcome back to a new school year. I hope you have all been keeping safe and well and have been enjoying your last few weeks at home before returning to school. I am really looking forward to learning about our new topics together and exploring the new skills and activities we can enjoy. In Year 2 we will be learning about the 5R's (Respect; Resilience; Resourceful; Reflective; Responsible) and how these help us to make good choices in both our classroom and in the school. See if you can memorise all 5R's as we begin our new term.

PE In Year 2 this term we have PE on Tuesday and Friday. Children should be dressed in their PE kit to attend school. The PE kit list can be found on our school website. Please ensure your child has the correct PE Kit and if the weather is cold they may wear their school jumper or a navy hoody. Our PE this term will consist of Games, movement and accuracy when throwing and catching.

English This term we are focusing on writing to entertain through story writing. Our inspiration for writing will be drawn from 'The Building Boy' by Ross Montgomery. We will look at a variety of techniques to enhance our writing and create multiple word banks to support us in learning and using interesting vocabulary. There will be lots of opportunities to see teacher modelled sentences and ideas in order to develop creative ideas of your own.

Maths Our first focus of the term will be place value to 100, identifying tens and units and comparing numbers. We will also use addition and subtraction to find 10 more and 10 less, multiples of 10 and add by making 10. We will revise counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and begin to count in 3s.

Science Our science topic this term is Animals and Humans. We will look at what animals need to survive and what they eat comparing them with our own needs and ways to stay healthy. We will also look at the habitats animals live in and their offspring.

Geography/Art Our topic theme for this term is linked to Mapping – Local Area, Symbols, Education mountains, hills and rivers where we will identify the major rivers within the UK as well as our local areas. We will also look at some of the well-known mountains of the UK and where they are situated. We will explore the physical features of the landscape and compare them to low lying areas. Through our art work we will focus on the landscape work of Claude Monet, using similar techniques to recreate art in his style.

Father, creator of all,
you 'ordered the earth' to bring forth life
and crowned its goodness by
creating family life.
Teach us the beauty of human love,
show us the value of family life
and help us to live in peace
with everyone.
Amen.

Article 14 Children can choose their own thoughts, opinions and religion.

Diary dates

Education Sunday – 14th Sep. St. Norbert's Church

After School Clubs Begin – 15th Sep.

End of term Thursday 23rd October 2025

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We will be learning all about 'Creation and Covenant'. We will look at the story of creation and the story of Noah, recognising how God is present in all beginnings including our own and knows and loves each one of us. We will look at the use of prayer, song and Psalms in order identify ways in which God is close to us each day and how we can grow closer to him.

Reading for Pleasure!

Please try and spend at least 10-15 minutes daily reading or talking about your child's reading for pleasure book. Your child will have a Little Wandle book for reading but they will also have a 'Reading for Pleasure' book which is to be shared between yourself and your child. This book will need to be read with your child. We will change these books weekly following a discussion with your child about the book. Thank you.