



# Year 2 Newsletter

## Summer 1

We hope you had a wonderful and relaxing Easter break. We're excited to begin a new term filled with engaging learning opportunities and memorable experiences. This term, the children can look forward to a range of exciting activities and events — including our upcoming trip to Marwell, which we are all very excited about! Alongside these special occasions, there will be plenty of fresh challenges, new learning, and opportunities for the children to grow, achieve, and thrive together.

Our school value this term is **Cooperation**. We will be encouraging the children to take responsibility for their learning, their behaviour and their belongings, as well as showing responsibility towards others and our school environment. We will be talking about making good choices, being reliable, and understanding how our actions can positively impact those around us.

### Curriculum Map

If you would like to see what we are learning this term, please take a look at our Curriculum Map. Our theme this term is 'Animals', and we're excited to explore all things animal-related across our subjects.

### Read, Write Inc.

We will continue with our reading and phonics programme. Children will bring home a 'book bag' book linked to their Year 2 colour level. Please ensure these books remain in their plastic wallets to prevent damage. Throughout the term, children will be reassessed and, once they complete the Read, Write Inc. programme, they will move on to whole-class guided reading sessions.

### Guided Reading

During guided reading, we will explore a range of texts and focus on developing key skills such as making inferences, predicting outcomes, identifying themes and making connections between different stories. This will help deepen understanding and build confidence and fluency as readers. As a reminder, our Home School Agreement asks that parents hear their child read at least three times a week and keep reading records up to date. Book changes will continue according to the timetable for each colour group.

### Medical

If your child requires medication during the school day (including inhalers), please ensure you have informed the school office and spoken directly to your child's class teacher.

We are really looking forward to a fantastic and productive term together!

## PE and Library

### PE

**Tuesday with 360:** Jogging bottoms/ shorts and school jumpers

**Wednesday:** Jogging bottoms/ shorts and school jumpers

**Library:** Friday afternoon

Please ensure the children's library books are in their book bags to ensure they can change their books on the correct day. We will only be able to issue a new book if the previous one has been returned in their plastic wallet. A charge of £5.00 is made for lost books.

Our theme this half term will be 'Animals'



Look at our Summer 1 topic web, to see what areas of the curriculum we will be covering this half term.

## Key Dates

13<sup>th</sup> April - Back to school

15<sup>th</sup> April - Rocksteady Assembly

17<sup>th</sup> April - Marwell Zoo

14<sup>th</sup> May - Year 2 Science Visitor

21<sup>st</sup> May - Last day of Summer 1 term

22<sup>nd</sup> May - Inset Day

1<sup>st</sup> June - Inset Day

2<sup>nd</sup> June - Back to school

### Future Dates:

Leavers Day (17<sup>th</sup> July)

Leavers Assembly (Morning of 21<sup>st</sup> July)

## Online Safety

We'd love online safety to be a big focus this year—please follow the link to watch our helpful parent videos and support your child's safe digital journey.

[SMART Video Lesson](#)