



Year 2 Curriculum Overview for Parents Autumn Term 2026

English

The children will be reading and writing stories using patterned language, words and phrases.

They will compose a sentence orally by saying it out aloud first before writing. There will also be a focus on grammar: nouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs as well as punctuation.

We will continue to teach phonics for reading and writing. We will also focus on spelling common exception words correctly.

It is important that you continue to read to and listen to your child read daily.

Year 2 Common Exception Words

after	child	every	half	move	plant	whole
again	children	everybody	hold	Mr	poor	who
any	Christmas	eye	hour	Mrs	pretty	wild
bath	class	fast	improve	old	prove	would
beautiful	climb	father	kind	only	should	
because	clothes	find	last	parents	steak	
behind	could	floor	many	pass	sugar	
both	cold	gold	mind	past	sure	
break	door	grass	money	path	told	
busy	even	great	most	people	water	



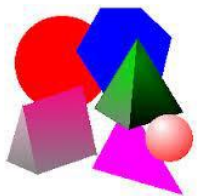
Maths

We will be teaching children to develop strategies to solve addition and subtraction problems. They will also need to be able to count to and across 100 forwards and backwards from any given number. Children will also learn to count in multiples of 2, 5 and 10, and use this knowledge for multiplication including problem solving.

When working with money children will be taught the value of different denominations of coins and notes. Please help your child to develop this skill when you are out shopping.

We will be teaching the children to tell the time on an analogue clock with a focus quarter past and quarter to the hour.

In Geometry they will be taught to recognize and name common 2D and 3D shapes including cuboids, cubes, pyramids and spheres.



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Computing

We will be using the laptops and iPads to make music digitally. This will include exploring, editing and combining sounds using 2Sequence.

In the second half of the term we will be learning about effective searching.



Science

Healthy Eating and taking care.

We will be looking at how to keep healthy and the different types of food we should eat to stay healthy. After half term our topic will be growing up. We will learn about basic needs and the human lifecycle.



Humanities



The children will be looking at the lives of Mary Seacole and Florence Nightingale. They will be comparing

hospitals in the past to hospitals today.

Geography

We will be looking at 4 countries of the United Kingdom and the surrounding seas.

Creative development.

The children will be developing their art skills by using a range of materials creatively to design and make products. We will also be looking at the artist Frida Kahlo and developing drawing skills to draw self-portraits.



Physical development.

This term the focus in P.E will be games. We will be learning to dribble a ball by bouncing it and using our feet.

In dance we will be exploring dances from different countries.

In gymnastic will focus on balance.

RE

This term we will be learning about what makes some places sacred. We will also be looking at what we can learn from sacred books.

PSHE

What makes a happy friendship, personal boundaries and worries.

Exploring different strengths and abilities.

Understanding and challenging stereotypes.

Homework

Home learning will be given out every Friday. It will be e-mailed to parents but if you would like a hard copy please ask your child's class teacher. Home learning will include a topic task, reading, phonics, spelling and Mathletics. Children must complete tasks by Thursday.

Read with your child every day.

Children will get a reading and a library book once a week.

Trips/Visits Dates:

Harvest assembly: 16.10.26

Fire Safety Day: 12.10.26

Palmers Green Library Visit: 21.10.26

Kindness Day: 13.11.26

Road Safety Week: 16.11.26

Hobgoblin Theatre: December

Christmas performances: December