

Year 2 ready- what you can do

In Year 2 we cover the Foundation Subjects of the National Curriculum through our Creative Curriculum topics. The topics are revealed to the children and parents at the beginning of each term with a parent leaflet. The topics usually start with a 'surprise' or 'wow event' which is why we like to keep it secret.

The children will also learn and further extend aspects of Religious Education, Modern Foreign Languages, Computing including E-Safety, PSHE, Healthy Eating, Music, Sex and Relationships Education and Physical Education.

As well as supporting your child with their academic learning we believe it's important to develop the whole child and that '**learning is for life**' therefore this page gives some strategies and ideas for other things that might benefit your child to be able to do before they enter Year 2.

To practice sharing and taking turns in different situations including family board games.	Having conversations about events, activities and things in their environment with adults to extend vocabulary including discussing road signs, a film, books, an event, word meanings	Understand that trying is an important part of succeeding and making mistakes is part of learning whether it's spelling or riding a bike.	To be aware of time, minutes, hours, days of the week and explore what time you do things- go to bed, leave the house for school, swimming lesson etc
To tie shoe laces, do up a tie and get dressed independently.	Be able to clear up after themselves, taking a plate out, putting toys away, and putting lids on equipment.	Have a good understanding of E-Safety	To look after their own belongings, jumpers, P.E. kits, swimming kits, lunch boxes and book bags.
Children have an awareness of how to live a healthy lifestyle and keep active	Manners are practised and used. Children ought to be respectful to peers and adults.	All letters and numbers are the correct way around and pencil grip is correct.	Children have an understanding of recycling and taking care of the environment.

High Achievers

If your child is achieving well we encourage children to work at a greater depth and use mastery to apply their understanding rather than moving onto year 3 work.

Reading, Writing and Maths

There is no better way to ensure your child is ready for year 2 than to encourage reading, writing and maths skills but by this we mean **building confidence**. Please read little and often. Encourage your child to explore numbers in their environment -find odd and even house numbers, and practise simple adding and taking away. Try and write a shopping list, thank you card, summer scrap book.