North Cheshire Jewish Primary School



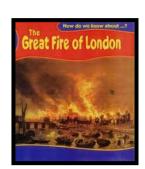




Working in Key Stage 1 Year Two







Year 2

Welcome to Year 2

Year Two is the final year within Key Stage One (infants).

The curriculum and assessment of progress is set by the Government.

We are following the National Curriculum Primary Programmes of Study for Year 2. It is an exciting year where the children continue to develop a higher level of independence and cooperation skills.

I am looking forward to working with you to help your child make the most of Year 2.

Morning Procedures

If it is raining before school please can children go to Masada Hall (Main Hall).

PE Kit

Every Tuesday (Autumn 1). Please see the PE section for more information on uniform.

Spare socks

It might be useful to have an extra pair of socks in your child's bag in case they get their shoes/socks wet on a rainy day.

Trips – We have a wide range of trips in Year 2 such as the Fireground visit and a Legacy Trail in Bramhall Park; we always appreciate parental help on trips.

ENGLISH



Key areas

- good speaking and listening skills presentations will be carried out during the year e.g. favourite author, topic of interest etc.
- experience of many styles of writing: extended narratives using descriptive detail, recounts, instructions, invitations, poems, letters, book reviews and leaflets
- experience of many text styles
- using a dictionary and thesaurus
- improved reading and reading comprehension
- neat joined handwriting
- improved phonological awareness and application of spelling strategies

Introduction to using conjunctions to join sentences:

BOYS sentences -

But, or, yet, so, because or any conjunction to link sentences

- ✓ He was a friendly man most of the time, but he could become nasty.
- ✓ He could be really friendly, or he could be miserable.
- ✓ It was a warm day, yet storm clouds gathered over the distant hills.
- ✓ It was a beautiful morning for a walk, so he set off quite happily.

2A + with (two adjectives and a with...)

• It was a small, derelict house with an overgrown garden.

Year 2 English Objectives

Speaking and Listening

In Year 2 some focuses will include:

- Articulate and justify answers and opinions
- Give well-structured explanations and narratives, for example in show-and-tell activities

Reading Skills

- Read words aloud confidently, without obvious blending or rehearsal
- Learn letter patterns so that decoding becomes fluent and secure by the end of Year 2 Blend letter sounds, including alternative patterns, e.g. recognising 'ue' as the 'oo' sound
- Read aloud words which contain more than one syllable
- Recognise common suffixes, such as -ing and -less
- Read words which don't follow phonetic patterns, such as 'one' and 'who'
- Become familiar with a wide range of fairy stories and traditional tales
- Discuss favourite words and the meaning of new words
- Check that what has been read makes sense, and self-correct reading where necessary
- Make predictions about what might happen next in a story

Children will be expected to read aloud books which are appropriate for their reading ability. During Year 2 their increasing knowledge of decoding should allow them to read a wide range of children's books.

Writing Skills

- Form letters of the appropriate size, using capital letters where appropriate
- Use appropriate spaces between words when writing
- Begin to use joins between letters where needed
- Spell longer words by breaking them into their sound parts
- Learn to spell some common homophones, recognising the difference between them
- Use the possessive apostrophe in simple phrases, such as 'the boy's football'.
- Write about real events and personal experiences
- Plan out writing in advance, including by writing down key words
- Re-read writing to check that it makes sense and to make corrections, including punctuation
- Use question marks, exclamation marks, apostrophes and commas in lists
- Use the present and past tenses correctly in writing
- Begin to write longer sentences by using conjunctions, such as 'and',' but', 'if' or 'because'

Homophones are words which sound the same, such as 'blue' and 'blew', or 'one' and 'won'

Parent Tips

Reading aloud at home continues to be vitally important at this age. You may even get your child to read their own writing aloud, attempting to add expression appropriate to the sentence.



MATHEMATICS



We encourage children to use practical equipment e.g. a number square, blocks and number lines where needed. Please see below a list of Year 2 targets:

Number and Place Value

- Recognise place value in two-digit numbers, e.g. knowing that the 1 in 17 represents 10
- Read and write numbers up to 100 as words
- Count in 2s, 3s and 5s
- Compare and order numbers up to 100
- Use the < and > symbols to represent the relative size of numbers

Calculations

- Recall number bonds up to 20 fluently
- Add and subtract numbers mentally and using objects, including two-digit numbers
- Show that adding two numbers can be done in any order, but subtracting cannot
- Recognise that addition and subtraction are inverse operations
- Learn the multiplication and division facts for the 2x, 5x and 10x tables
- Show that multiplying two numbers can be done in any order, but dividing cannot
- Solve problems using the x and \div symbols

Fractions

- Find ¹/₄, ²/₄ and ³/₄ of an object or set of objects
- Find the answer to simple fraction problems, such as finding $\frac{1}{2}$ of 6

Measurements

 Use standard units to measure length (centimetres and metres), mass (grams

- and kilograms), temperature (degrees Celsius) and capacity (millilitres and litres)
- Use the £ and p symbols for money amounts
- Combine numbers of coins to make a given value, for example to make 62 pence
- Tell the time to the nearest five minutes on an analogue clock
- Know the number of minutes in an hour and hours in a day

Shape

- Identify the number of sides and a line of symmetry on 2-d shapes
- Identify the number of faces, edges and vertices on 3-d shapes
- Use mathematical language to describe position and direction, including rotations and turns

Graphs and Data

 Construct and understand simple graphs such as bar charts and pictograms

Parents Tip

Parents can always take a lead role in practical maths. Encouraging your child to help with the purchasing of small items at the newsagent, or measuring themselves and others, is a great way to start exploring number relationships.

Year 2 units of work include:

Science:

- Uses of Everyday Materials
- Animals, including humans
- Living things and their habitats
- Plants

History:

- Great Fire of London
- Remembrance Day
- Significant explorers from the North West and around the world

Geography:

- Geographical language and features
- Contrasting environments
- Maps and grid references
- Atlas work: Name and locate continents and oceans
- Use basic geographical vocabulary to describe physical and human features
- Geography of the UK

Computing (ICT)

- ICT use various programs to build on skills from Year 1 (graphics, word processing, data handling, and internet research).
- Basic programming and simple coding
- Use of iPads linked to other curriculum areas.
- Use of a range of apps to aid cross curricular learning e.g. Pic Collage, Puppet Pals.
 Coding apps: Scratch Junior, Box Island, A.L.E.X.

The children will also follow the National Curriculum in: PSHE, Art, Design Technology, Music and PE and will have an opportunity with PE specialists during the year.

Homework

Children are expected to read for at least 5 to 10 minutes a day. We ask parents to record in their child's Home/School Reading Record, the date, title, pages read and a comment. Weekend homework will be set on a Friday and needs to be handed in by the following Wednesday at the latest. This may include English, Maths, Science, History or Geography.

Occasionally your child may bring home extra homework/challenges to reinforce concepts taught in class and further extend and secure learning.

During Year 2 children will bring home a Mental Maths homework book.

Jewish Studies

Festivals	Festivals in Tishri - Introduction of concepts e.g.
	teshuva, religious freedom
	Chanukah
Projects	Chumash Readiness: Selections from the A.J.E.
	programme
	Abraham's Family Tree:
	Research their own family tree as far back as
	grandparents; make the connection that we are all
	one family
Prayer	Begin learning about Siddur familiarisation with print;
	names of 3 daily services, reading familiar prayers, 1st.
	2 brachot of Amida.
Festivals	Tu B'Shvat - revision and Purim celebration
	Revision of mitzvot about derech eretz.
Prayer	Using the siddur to locate and begin to read the main
	daily prayers.
Festivals	Lag ba'Omer — School celebration
	Yom ha'atzma'ut — School celebration
	Shavuot — 10 Commandments
	Focus on 2 and 10
Sedra of	JSCP programme
the week	
Projects	Looking after the environment
_	Shabbat: Torah sources and Kiddush
Siddur	Preparing for the siddur ceremony

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Autumn Term

Revision of all the work done last term. A new project "Days of the week"

- Listening, understanding, reading and writing.
- Work on all diacritics.
- Listening and undertaking more complicated Hebrew instruction with verbs.
- Work on the different festivals, looking at objects and pictures and saying a short sentence, also writing and reading it.
- Rosh-Hashanah, Yom-Kippur, Sukkot, Simchat-Torah Hanukah.
- One page of reading homework to be sent home (every two weeks).
- Ongoing Assessments: verbal assessment for speaking/pronunciation and listening by question and answer sessions. Reading assessment in groups and one-to-one. Assessment of writing from marking books.
- Develop your conversation skills.
- We offer a different programme for Israeli children/Hebrew speakers, newcomers to the school with no previous knowledge of Hebrew

Spring Term

- Revision of all the work done last term, revision of all the letters. The project weather. Work on diacritics. Listening and undertaking more complicated Hebrew instructions.
- Work on the festivals. Looking at objects or pictures and saying a 3-word sentence for them.
- New Hebrew vocabulary and songs.
- Reading and writing short sentences for the festivals.
- Tu-Beshevat, Purim, Pesach.
- Conversation skills; able to introduce myself.

On-going Assessments: verbal assessment for speaking/pronunciation and listening by question and answer sessions. Reading assessment in groups and one-to-one.

Summer Term

- Revision of all the work done last term.
- Continue work in the book. The projects single & plural in feminine and masculine and big and small.
- Conversation skills; able to ask different questions and answer them.
- Work on the festivals; Yom-Hatzmaout Lag-Ba.omer, Shavuuot.



Year 2 PE KIT

Please ensure all PE kit is named

- Navy or black shorts, joggers or leggings
- White t-shirt
- Warm sweatshirt for the winter
- Pumps or trainers
- Gymnastics is done in bare feet for safety / pumps for medical reasons

Please remove earrings at home before school.