

YEAR 2

A very warm welcome to **Year 2 at Launde Primary School!** We hope you have all had a wonderful summer and are looking forward to the exciting year ahead. We are delighted to welcome your children into Year 2 and are excited about all the learning, experiences and adventures we have planned.



WRITING

Throughout Year 2, children will develop their writing skills across a range of text types, including setting and character descriptions, recounts such as diaries, letters, instructions, non-chronological reports and action scenes. They will learn to use sentence punctuation accurately, including full stops, exclamation marks, commas and question marks. Children will also develop their understanding and use of nouns, adjectives, verbs, adverbs and conjunctions, while learning to sequence and organise their ideas clearly.

READING

In Year 2, we will have **daily whole-class reading sessions** as part of our reading journey.

We ask that you please read with your child **every day**. Each week, your child will bring home **two reading books** to enjoy and practise. When reading together, please ask questions about the text to check their understanding and encourage them to talk about what they have read. Children are expected to read aloud with **fluency, pace and expression**, helping them to develop confidence and a love of reading.



PE

In PE, children will develop their physical skills through a range of activities and sports, including games, gymnastics, dance and athletics. They will learn to move with control, balance and coordination, while developing their ability to run, jump, throw and catch. Children will also learn how to work as part of a team, follow rules, take turns and show good sportsmanship. They will develop confidence in their physical abilities and learn the importance of staying active, healthy and safe.

HOMEWORK

This year children will be bringing home GPS books to complete for their homework. Your child's teacher will set the pages that need to be completed each week. The correct answers will be made available to parents so that homework can be marked at home.

MATHS

In Maths, children will develop their understanding of numbers by counting and recognising number sequences to 100, as well as exploring the place value of 2-digit numbers. They will develop their skills in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and learn the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. You can support your child at home by practicing counting in steps of 2, 5 and 10 and working on number bond recall. Children will also have Times Table Rockstars logins once they start to learn their timetables.

YEAR GROUP PARENT EVENTS

12th September – Launde Community Fayre

12th and 13th October – Parents Evening

29th October – 2RG (9am) 2SN (2pm) Parent Education Workshop

30th October – 2IW (9am) Parent Education Workshop

R.E.

In RE, children will explore a range of religious beliefs, stories, traditions and celebrations. They will learn that Muslims believe in one God, Allah. Children will develop their understanding of Christianity by learning about the Christmas story.



SCIENCE

In Science, children will develop their understanding of the world around them by exploring living things and their habitats, identifying what living things need to survive and how they are suited to their environments. They will also learn about plants and what they need to live.

ENQUIRY

Do hard times develop strength?

We explore this question by learning about the Great Fire of London and its impact upon the city and beyond.

In addition to this, we will be learning about the determination of nurses like Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole and Edith Cavell who faced many challenges.

As we learn about these events, we can think about whether difficult times helped people grow stronger and make positive changes.

MUSIC

In Music, children will develop their understanding of rhythm and pitch through practical activities, singing and listening. They will explore rhythm by keeping a steady beat, comparing it to a heartbeat.

COMPUTING

In Computing, children will develop their understanding of how technology can be used creatively and purposefully. They will explore digital photography, learn how to program and input data.