



# YEAR 2 NEWSLETTER

## SUMMER TERM 2026




Deer Class	Hedgehog Class	Squirrel Class
Mrs Hawkins	Miss Rahman	Mr Callery
LSAs: LSAs: Miss Martin, Miss Natasha, Miss Cullen, Mrs Saba, Mrs Cox, Mrs Swinburn.		

### Welcome to Year 2! We hope you had a wonderful Easter and are back ready to learn!

Year 2 is the beginning of Key Stage 1 and therefore, the expectations of behaviour and learning are high. We welcome your support in the education of your child and we believe that working together will enable your child to effectively access the more challenging curriculum.

#### Home Learning

- We plan homework tasks very carefully to support and consolidate school learning. Therefore, it is vital that you support and encourage your child to complete the tasks set and communicate with their teacher if they have any problems in doing so.
- For additional information on the Year 2 curriculum, please refer to the Long Term Curriculum Overview for Year 2.
- All maths overviews can be located on the school website.
- Information on home learning projects will be sent out shortly with an expected due date.

- Mathematics 
  - Mathletics tasks will be assigned for home learning each Thursday which must be completed by the following Thursday. This will be linked to the maths learning in lessons that week.
  - Maths Shed activities will also be set for your child, with a focus on number bonds and times tables. 10 minutes daily.

- English
  - Reading – Please ensure that your child reads their phonically matched reading book regularly on Collins ebooks and that this is recorded in their reading record. These books will be set online on a Friday. To be read daily. A sharing book will be sent home twice a week with the reading record on a Tuesday and Friday. This is a book that you can enjoy reading together. Please ensure your child's reading record is in school every day.
  - Spelling – A Spelling Shed activity will be set each Friday and needs to be completed by the following Friday. 10 minutes daily. We will be doing a spelling test in class on the spellings that have been set that week.
  - **Username and passwords are stuck in your child's reading record.**

#### PE Days & PE Kits

PE will be on **Monday and Wednesday** from January for Squirrel, Deer & Hedgehog. Please ensure each item of your child's PE kit is clearly labelled with their name.

The expectation is that your child comes into school in their PE kit on PE days.



Please make sure you are signed up to Arbor and include at least two contact phone numbers in case of illness or emergency.

Please pre-order your child's lunches through Arbor. This includes if your child is having packed lunch.

#### Important Dates

13th April	Back to school
23rd April	Hedgehog Assembly
30th April	Squirrel Assembly
4th May	Bank holiday
6th May	PSHE parent meeting in hall
18th May	Cultural Day
19th May	Trip to West Whittering Beach
22nd May	Inset Day
1st June	Back to school
8th June	Statutory Phonics screening check week
9th June	Class photos
23rd June	KS1 Sports day
16th July	4.30-6pm Celebration afternoon
21st July	Break up at 2pm

More information on key school events will follow.

At APPS, we follow the Literary Curriculum from Literacy Tree, which places quality literature at the core of English teaching. Below are the texts that Year 2 will study over the course of the term. If you are able to discuss the books with your child as we study them, it would really support their learning. All books are available from bookshops and local libraries. Please refer to the whole school text overview on the school's website for the texts studied in the spring and summer terms.

Spring 1		Spring 2	
Where the Ocean Meets the Sky 	We are the water protectors 	The Minpins 	Rosie Revere Engineer 

### Celebration of Spring Term Learning



As we moved into the second half of the term, our focus shifted to castles and the monarchy. Our trip to Windsor Castle was a real highlight! The children were fascinated to see the features of a Motte and Bailey castle, originally built by William the Conqueror after 1066. This brought our history learning to life and helped deepen their understanding of how castles were used in the past.

We finished the term in the most delightful way, with five wonderful new additions to our Year 2 family: our ducklings! As part of our Science learning on life cycles, the children had the incredible opportunity to observe ducklings hatching from eggs and growing over time. Watching these changes first hand was a truly special experience and helped the children develop a deeper understanding of how living things grow and change.

We are very much looking forward to continuing to work with you to give your child the very best learning experience at APPS. Thank you for your continued support.

Year 2 Team

For further information or queries, please check the school's website or twitter accounts.

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