

# Year 2

# Welcome Meeting





# Our School Prayer

This is our school.

Let peace be found here.

Let the rooms be full of happiness.

Let love abide here.

Love for one another, love for God.

Let us remember, that as many hands build a house, so many hearts make a school.

Amen.

# Year 2 Staff



**Mr. Drumm**  
**Yellow class teacher and**  
**KS1 Co-Ordinator**



**Miss Tulich**  
**Diamond class teacher**

# Other members of staff



**Miss Suliga**  
**Computing teacher**



**Ms Sophia**  
**Environmental Teacher**



**Mr Grant**  
**PE Coach**



**Mrs. Rooney**  
**Librarian**



**Miss Marshall**  
**Music Teacher**



**Mrs Collins**  
**Extended School  
Manager**



**Mrs. Roberts**  
**Art Teacher &  
Assistant Head**

## Catholic Ethos

- As a Catholic school we strive to uphold our Catholic ethos
- Prayer services
- Christmas Nativity performance
- Daily collective worship in the classrooms and prayer leaders

## Year 2 Expectations

- Being role models for younger children in KS1
- Fostering greater independence by bringing in school books e.g. reading records, reading books, homework books
- Completing all tasks in class on time and displaying good behaviour for learning
- Taking pride in the appearance and presentation of their work
- Keeping the classroom tidy and respecting resources
- Following the school rules to ensure clear expectations
- Dojo point awards each term
- Traffic light system in class – amber to gold



# Year 2 Daily & Weekly Routines

- 8:40 soft start, 8:55 register
- Prompt arrival important to ensure morning work is not missed and pupils settle for their day of learning
- Library session each week on Wednesday afternoons
- School home reading book to be changed weekly
- Pupils' reading books must be in school **EVERY DAY**
- Our P.E. days are Tuesdays and Fridays (children to wear their kits to school on these days and do not need to change)

# Homework

- Spellings and number facts set on Google Classroom every Friday as of this week
- Spellings and number facts will be tested on Friday the following week
- Reading at home every day for at least 10-15 minutes
- Parents should sign purple reading logs regularly
- Teachers will monitor these records and separate teacher records will be kept in school
- English and Maths homework workbooks – pages to be completed will be on Google Classroom each Friday. It should be returned by Wednesday the following week for marking.
- Topic or Science project work on the current topic each half term



# How can parents help?



- The best help is interest taken in learning and progress
- Upload the wonderful learning that takes place at home on Google classroom
- Support with homework tasks
- Good communication between the school and home
- Ensuring children get a good sleep on a school night
- Arriving to school on-time by 8.55




# How can I help with Maths?

- Number bonds to 10 and 20
- 2x, 5x and 10x times tables
- Place value to 100
- Recall and use addition and subtraction facts to 20
- Written methods for addition and subtraction
- Find opportunities to explore maths in your everyday lives

# Curriculum Overview

Curriculum overviews are on the school's website with further information

 <b>St Joseph's Catholic School Year Two Curriculum Overview 2023/24</b>						
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Visit / Visitors	Handwashing nurse Lauderdale House Art project 4 sessions Year 2 Welcome Talk 20 September	St Paul's Cathedral / Monument 2 November  Frozen Theatre trip Fr George 14 November	Kew Gardens Fr George 6 February	Waterlow Park / Hampstead Heath	National Gallery Fr George 21 May	Walton on the Naze Beach Trip 5 July
Assembly/Productio n/ Liturgy of the Word/ Mass/ Prayer Service / Special Events	Prayer Service Yellow 9 October Diamond 10 October	Christmas Performance 13 December	Assembly Diamond 8 March Yellow 6 March			Graduation 9 July
RE	Creation and Covenant	Prophecy and promise	Galilee to Jerusalem	Desert to Garden	To the Ends of the Earth	Dialogue and Encounter
British Values	Democracy	The Rule of Law	Individual Liberty	Mutual Respect	Tolerance of Different Faiths and Beliefs	Citizenship
PSHE / RSE Ten/Ten Resources: <i>Life to the Full</i>	Module: Created to love others Personal relationships Life Online Keeping Safe		Module: created to live in community Living in the wider world		Module: Created and loved by God Me, my body, my health Emotional wellbeing	
Rooted In Love Catholic Social Teaching	Care of Creation	Preferential Option for the Poor	Solidarity and Peace	Community and Participation	Dignity of Workers	Human Dignity
English	<i>Literacy Counts Text</i>  <i>Teacher Class Readers</i> <a href="https://www.booksforopics.com/year-2">https://www.booksforopics.com/year-2</a>	A River	The Night Gardener	Bog Baby	Rosie Revere	Grandad's island
	The Works (selection of poems) (Poetry) Flat Stanley (Fiction) Traction Man (Fiction) Meet the Microbes (Non-Fiction) The River (Fiction) The Fixer of Broken Things (Fiction)	The Great fire of London – a city of flames (Historical Fiction) Toby and the Great Fire of London (Historical Fiction) An Illustrated History of the Great Fire of 1666 (Non-Fiction) A Ticket to Kalamazoo! (Poetry) The Extraordinary Gardener (Fiction) Secret Sky Garden (Fiction)	A Planet full of Plastic (Non-Fiction) The Monster Story-teller (Fiction) I Am the Seed That Grew a Tree (Poetry) If Winter Comes, Tell It I'm Not Here (Fiction) Can I Build Another Me? (Fiction)	The Queen's Nose (Fiction) The Enchanted Wood (Fiction) Revolting Rhymes (Poetry) The Story of Inventions (Non-Fiction)	The Tunnel (Fiction) Gregory Cool (Fiction) A first book of poetry (Poetry) The Colour of Home (Fiction) Dear Earth (Fiction) Meet The National Animals (Non-Fiction)	The Dinosaur's Packed Lunch (Fiction) George's Marvelous Medicine (Fiction) The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch (Fiction) A First Book of the Sea (Poetry) Beside the Seaside: Seaside Holidays Then and Now (Non-Fiction)

# A full Curriculum

- Two religion lessons per week, daily collective worship and whole school masses throughout the year
- Class and phase assemblies
- Geography / History topic switching half termly – this term we are studying ‘Our Wonderful World’ in Geography
- Science topic focus each half term –we are currently studying ‘Healthy Me’
- Music lessons on Monday afternoons
- PE, Art and Computing classes delivered by specialist teachers each week
- One library session per week with Mrs Rooney

# KS1 Tests

- Teachers are responsible for judging the standards your child is working at in Reading, Writing, Mathematics and Science by the end of Key Stage 1.
- To help inform judgements, Year 2 pupils previously sat national curriculum tests in Reading, Maths and English grammar, punctuation and spelling (SATs).
- As of this year, the SATs are no longer compulsory. However, as is the case with any outstanding school, we will be conducting similar tests around May / June.
- The tests are important as they are tool for teachers to measure your child's performance and identify their needs as they move into Key Stage 2.
- More information will be provided later in the year.



# School Procedures

- Water bottles – water only please. To be kept in lockers, with regular water breaks during the day.
- Packed lunches – healthy eating, no nuts and no sweets/chocolate in school.
- Clothing – please label **ALL** items.
- Medication – Please ensure all medication goes through the office. Do not leave any medication in your child's bag.
- Birthdays – Children are allowed to wear their own clothes and bring in treats which can be handed out at the end of the day for children to take them home. Children can also donate a book to the library as part of the birthday book club.

# Uniforms

## MAIN SCHOOL UNIFORM (Years 1 to 6)

WINTER UNIFORM BOYS (Autumn and Spring terms)	WINTER UNIFORM GIRLS
Grey blazers with logo* Optional	Grey blazers with logo* Optional
White shirt	White shirt
School tie	School tie
Royal blue jumper or cardigan with logo*	Royal blue jumper or cardigan with logo*
Plain grey long trousers	Plain grey skirt, trousers or pinafore
Grey socks only	Grey socks or grey tights only
Black shoes classic school style (NO trainers)	Black shoes classic school style (NO trainers)

SUMMER UNIFORM BOYS (Summer term)	SUMMER UNIFORM GIRLS
Grey blazers with logo* Optional	Grey blazers with logo* Optional
Royal blue collared polo shirt with logo*	Royal blue gingham summer dress
Plain grey long trousers or grey shorts	Royal blue jumper or cardigan with logo*
Grey socks only	White socks only
Black shoes or sandals classic school style (NO trainers)	Black shoes or sandals classic school style (NO trainers)

# PE Kits and Uniforms

Pupils should wear their PE kit to school on Tuesdays and Fridays.

## MAIN SCHOOL PE

Lime Green T shirt with logo\*

Navy jogging bottoms or navy shorts no slogans

Trainers

**Jewellery** - No jewellery except a plain watch and plain stud earrings are permitted. No other accessories are allowed.

**Hair** - Hair should be clipped or tied back with plain navy, royal blue, white or black hair bands/ribbons used. No large flowers or bows. Beads in hair should be in school colours and hair dye, coloured hair extensions or shaved designs are not permitted.

**Nail varnish** - is not permitted in school.

## OUTERWEAR ALL YEARS

School coat with logo\* Optional

**Plain** navy, dark grey or black coat (No other coats permitted including denim, fur, leather or brand logos)

Winter Fleece Blue Hats with logo\* (No other hats permitted)

# Communication

- Updates on Google Classroom
- Year 2 blog updated weekly on school website
- Parent teacher meetings
- Please arrange any appointments via the school office

# Dates for your diary

- Yellow class Liturgy of the Word – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2023
- Diamond class Liturgy of the Word – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2023
- Year 2 Trip St Paul's Cathedral 2 November
- Christmas Nativity performance – Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023
- Yellow class assembly – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024
- Diamond class assembly – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024
- KS1 tests – May / June 2024
- Graduation – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2024

If you have any queries throughout the year please do not hesitate to book an appointment through the school office or ask at pick up!

**Thank you**