



Friday, 6th September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Class 2, Year 2 -it is a pleasure to have your child in my class. We are very excited to teach your children this academic year and I wish to share a little about myself with you.

I have been teaching for 17 years and love learning each year from the children in my care. I have 8 years' experience teaching in EYFS and KS1 and 9 years' experience teaching in KS2. My experience enables me to prepare the children well for their transition from EYFS in the autumn term and to KS2 in the summer term. I have a passion for Special Educational Needs and have spent several years working alongside children with additional needs.

We are excited to work alongside Mrs Smith (our SEND teaching assistant) and Miss Foster in our KS1 team and we will work closely together to get to know your child as an individual and work on their unique potential. Please know that we are here to listen and we appreciate the support our parents give to our school. Please ensure that you communicate with myself through Class Dojo or verbally in the morning or at pick-up.

To start off the year, we wish to ensure you that your child's safety and happiness in our school is paramount in our school. We want the children to have a positive, productive and rewarding year.

Important facts;

- **Wellbeing-** mental health and well-being will be prioritised. All children will be supported to talk about their emotions and use our emotion chart to support discussion. They are encouraged to move their peg in the morning to express how they are feeling and are encouraged to move their pegs again throughout the day, should their feelings change.
- PE- **Wednesday** afternoon.
Please ensure that all children have a named (including PUMPS) PE with them to participate on this day.
- **Homework-** All Year 2 children will be expected to read four times a week (Mon- Fri), access NumBots at least 2 times a week (5 min game) and learn spellings given out on a Monday. All NumBots and Spelling Shed passwords can be found in your child's reading diary. Spellings will be given out on a **Monday** and assessed on a **Friday**.
- **Reading-** all pupils will be expected to read and record their reading **4** times a week in their reading journals.
- **Class dojos-** We will be using Class Dojo regularly so if you have any trouble joining this free app, please alert the office and we will support as much as possible.

We are offering a 'Meet the Teacher' session this week, straight after school and we would love to see you all there. Do not worry if you cannot attend, we will ensure all information is sent home with your child.

We are looking forward to working with you and your child this year- together we can make a difference!

Mrs Tate and Mrs Smith