



Spring 2 2024-2025 Newsletter

Year 2



Spring 2 is nearly upon us!

Spring 1 seems to have flown by this year and the children are well and truly settled into life in Year 2.

It was lovely to see so many of our parents come into school last week to share part of our morning routine with us. Thank you for coming in, the children really enjoyed sharing their learning with you and hopefully you witnessed a small snapshot of how excellent our children are on a daily basis and how hard they work.

Spring is the perfect term for progress, the children are nearly half of their way through the academic year and we are looking forward to seeing their skills flourish as we teach more elements of the Year 2 curriculum.

Spring 2 is a busy half-term and we have some exciting events planned!



Y2 department staff

We have two classes in Y2 - Hedgehogs and Rabbits.

Hedgehogs are taught by Miss Roper (Mon-Wed) and Mr Askew (Thurs-Fri) and Rabbits are taught by Miss Lang. PPA cover in the classes will be taught by Mrs Swift (Hedgehogs) on some Monday/Friday afternoons and Miss Joy (Rabbits) on a Thursday afternoon. Miss Joy has been an excellent addition to our Year 2 team and the Rabbits are looking forward to her continuing to cover Miss Lang's PPA on Thursday afternoons.

World Book Day - 6th March 2025

<https://www.worldbookday.com>

It's that time of year again and World Book Day is quickly creeping up on us!

FACT: Reading for fun is the single biggest indicator that a child will grow up to enjoy a happier and more successful life. World Book Day advocates the belief that children are more likely to read if they enjoy it, so it is imperative to encourage them to see reading as an entertaining, social and fun thing to do. The positive impact of this, will be generations of children growing up with a life-long and life-changing habit of reading for fun, and all the benefits this brings.

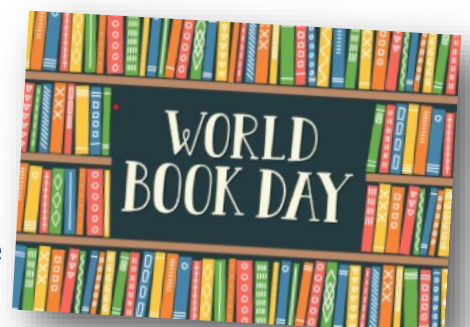
The World Book Day website (link at the top), is full of helpful information, including a range of family activities if you wish to get involved at home. There are:

Handy hints to create great, low-cost book character costumes,

Information about how to use your book token (we will be handing these out to your child on the day!),

Top tips for how to choose a children's book for your child, as well as some brilliant competitions your child can enter.

In school, we are busy working with our children and school librarians to plan a memorable day for everyone. More information to follow soon!



A few snapshots of some of our Year 2 children hard at work!

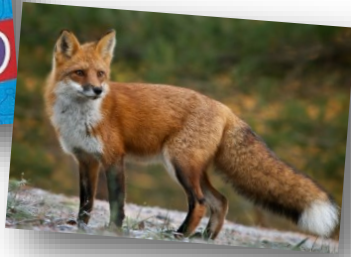


Spring 2 - Our Y2 Curriculum

English

Fiction (Action) - Supertato by Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet

Non-Fiction (Non-chronological report) - Foxes (Grammarsaurus text)



Maths

Multiplication and Division

Length and Height

Fractions and



Science

Super Scientists - Plants



Computing

Coding

Coding Unit 2.1



Geography

How does living in Mahamaya compare to living in West Hallam?



Design and Technology

Stable Structures



PSHE

Healthy Me



Thrive

Our individual class focus



Religion and Worldviews

What is the good news that Jesus brings?
(Gospel and church link)



PE

Outdoor PE: Invasion Games

Indoor PE: Fitness

Hedgehogs:

Indoor – Thursday

Outdoor – Tuesday

Rabbits:

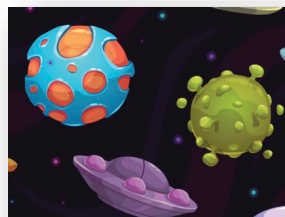
Indoor – Friday

Outdoor – Monday



Music

Contrasting Dynamics -
Compose and play
rhythms to represent
plants.



Read-a-Rainbow

Well done to all of our children who are well on their way to completing our 'Read-a-Rainbow challenge. Once a child has completed the rainbow it means that they have read over 175 times which is amazing! It doesn't matter which colour bookmark your child is working on, please just encourage them to read for pleasure as much as possible and colour a segment of their bookmark in for each individual read. Please also continue to make a note of home reads in your child's reading diary, this really helps us support your child by knowing how they are progressing with their reading at home.





Save the date - Easter is coming!

Watch out for our annual Reception and KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade on Friday 4th April.

This event will be from 9:15am until 9:45am.



Upcoming dates: (Please refer to our whole school newsletter for any additional information or updated dates)

W/C: 24.2.25 - Return to school

28.2.25 - Valentine's Disco - 3:30pm-5:00pm

6.3.25 - World Book Day and themed dinner menu

13.3.25 - Class photographs

27.1.25 - Reception and KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade - 9:15am-9:45am



Nuts

Please be aware that we have children in school who could have an anaphylactic reaction if exposed to nut traces. Please only send your children to school with packed lunches that do not contain nuts or products containing nut traces. This includes Nutella and other chocolate spreads/products that contain nut traces or may contain nut traces.



Thank you!



Communication

The easiest way to contact us in the Y2 team is by using our email address:

Y1-2department@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk

Please be aware that the email address isn't permanently manned, therefore please contact the school office if it is an urgent matter or an email relating to the same day.

We will also use phone calls, texts, X (Twitter), and the school website to keep you informed. We are looking forward to a wonderful Spring 1 with your child.

If you have any questions or if there is anything else that we can help you with then please don't hesitate to contact us.

Miss Roper, Miss Lang and Mr Askew