



Introduction to Year 2



Welcome to Year 2

We are really looking forward to starting a new school year with your children and getting stuck into the Year 2 Curriculum with them. These slides aim to give you a brief overview of what you can expect.

If you have any questions please email. We aim to check the emails every few days. year2@holytrinity.leeds.sch.uk

Please come and chat to us at home-time pick up if you have anything to discuss or any concerns. It's always better to chat face to face than over email 😊.



Year 2 Staff

Miss Slaney (2S)

Miss Johnson (2J)

Teaching Assistants

Miss Fenwick

Mrs Ahmed (Part-time)

Miss Senior (Part-time)

PPA cover (Friday pm)

Mrs Morrow & Ms Edwards



Curriculum

- All our learning follows a topic based approach, with core and foundation subjects being taught through the main topic.
- There are a variety of topics to engage the children.

Autumn 1 - The Great Fire of London

Autumn 2 - A Christmas Carol (Victorians)

Spring 1 - Beatrix Potter

Spring 2 - The Lake District & Chicks

Summer 1 - Breaking the Rules

Summer 2 - India



Year 2 Timetable 2025 - 2026

	8.50am - 10.30am			10.30 - 11am	11am - 12 noon	12 noon - 1.00pm	1pm - 2pm		2pm - 2.45pm	2.45pm - 3pm	3pm - 3.25pm
Monday	Phonics	worship	English	Playtime/ Snack	Maths	Lunch	French		PE	Playtime	Story
Tuesday	Phonics	English	Worship	Playtime/ Snack	Maths	Lunch	Computing/art		Computing/art	Playtime	Story
Wednesday	2S 9-9:45 RE 9:45 - 10:30 PE			Playtime/ Snack	2S - English	Lunch	Hand writing	Daily Mile	History/Geography	Playtime	Story
	2J 9 - 9:30 English, 9.30 - Snack 9:45 - 10:30 RE				2J - 10.45 PE 11.30 - English						
Thursday	worship	Phonics	English	Playtime/ Snack	Maths	Lunch	Hand writing	Daily Mile	Science	Playtime	Story
Friday	Spelling test	worship	English	Playtime/ Snack	Maths	Lunch	PHSE/Music		PHSE/Music	Playtime	Story

PE days: Monday (outdoor) and Wednesday (indoor).



Homework

Maths - 15 minutes Numbots per week. 3x5 minutes is better than one chunk of 15 minutes to aid memory and fluency. We will keep track that the 15 minutes has been completed each week.

Reading - Two reading books will be sent home on a Monday. These should be read and returned by the following Monday, with comments from an adult written in the Reading Record books. The more detailed the comments, the better. These comments will be checked by TAs before new books are given out.



Spellings

- Spelling sheets will go home on Friday to be tested the following Friday. There will be spare sheets in school if your child loses theirs. Please let us know as soon as possible if you require a new spelling sheet.
- Children will bring their spelling books home on Friday for you to see how they got on. Please return the books on Monday.
- Children will also be tested on the Y2 common exception words three times throughout the year (64 words). You are not expected to practise these specifically as they will be included as part of the 10 spellings tested each week.



Start and end of the day

- The first day back at school will be Tuesday 2nd September.
- The children will line up next to the ramp when the bell rings. We will be outside to greet the children and take them into class.
- At 3.25pm we will take our classes outside and wait at the bottom of the ramp. The children will be allowed to go once they put their hand up and let us know they've seen their adult.



Things to note

- P.E. will be taught on Monday (outside) and Wednesdays (inside) Please make sure your child has the correct named uniform with black or white trainers - no logos.



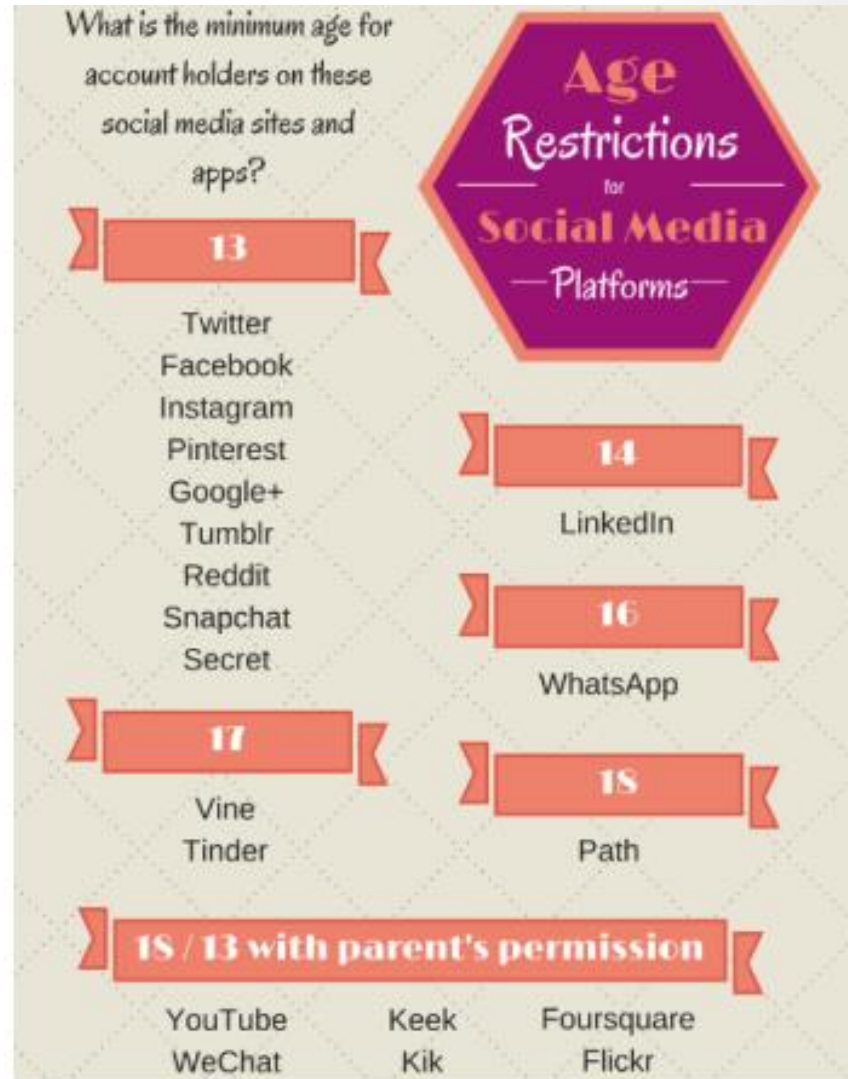
- Please can children bring a named water bottle to school everyday. It should have a sports cap to reduce spillages.
- Children need to bring a book bag into school and not a rucksack. This is so that they fit into trays easily. Please can we ask that they don't attach accessories to the book bags as we struggle then to fit them into trays!
- Please can children also bring into school a carrier bag with pumps and a change of clothes in which can be kept on their peg all year, in case of playground accidents!



Please be vigilant with social media and check which Apps your children are using. We would advise against group chats and posting photographs.

They should not be using Facebook, Instagram or WhatsApp at 6 and 7 years of age.

We promote E-safety at school and would appreciate your support with this at home.



How can you help your child over the summer?

- Handwriting - neat, on the line, with tall and hanging letters (Holiday diary?). Ensure they're starting and finishing letters in the correct place or they'll struggle to learn to join their letters in Year 2.
- Counting in 2s, 5s and 10s & number bonds within 10, to 20 and to 100.
- Reading - literally anything! They need to continue to read to you and please try to read stories to them to build their vocabulary.



How can you help your child over the summer?

- Shoe laces - if you are sending your child in shoes with laces, please teach them to tie them. If they struggle to do their own please send them in velcro shoes and trainers.
- We have noticed that a large number of children aren't using a knife and fork in the dinner hall so please practice this over the summer also.

Have lots and lots of fun so you come back refreshed and ready to learn!



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