

PE

Class 2A have PE on a Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning. Class 2S have PE on a Monday morning and a Wednesday afternoon. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit on for both of their days, which includes wearing their school jumper.



Homework

Pupils have the following homework each week:

- learning the weekly spellings, given on Friday
- Reading each night for at least 15 minutes and having their reading record signed. The reading books will be given out on Thursday and are expected to be brought back on Monday.
- Grammar or reading comprehension work
- Maths

Homework is given out on Friday and should be handed in by Wednesday each week. Spellings will be tested on Friday.

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Own choice book	Meerkat Mail Emily Gravett	If all the World were... By Josep Coelho	The Enchanted Wood By Enid Blyton	Anita and the dragons By Anna Cunha
Emily Brown and the Thing By Cressida Cowell and Neal Layton	I am Every Good Thing By Derrick Barnes and Gordon James	Own choice book	Traction Man is here By Mini Grey	Marge in Charge By Isla Fisher
Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Book? By Lauren Child	Ask your teacher to recommend a book 	Fantastically Great Women Kate Pankhurst	Mr Majetka By Humphery Carpenter	Own choice book
Stars with Flaming Tails By Valerie Bloom (Poetry)	Frog and Toad Together By Arnold Lobel	The Troll By Julia Donaldson	Own choice book	The Hedgehog By Dick King Smith
The Owl who was afraid of the dark Jill Tomlinson	Own choice book	Tuesday By David Wisner	The Clue is in the Poa Andy Seed and Claire Almond	Ask your teacher to recommend a book 

Bronze Award - 8 books Silver Award - 15 books Gold Award - 25 books

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Parent's Evening

We enjoyed meeting you last term, albeit virtually. Our parents' evening this term is on Wednesday 16th February 2022 via Teams. If you have any queries during the year, please come and speak to your child's class teacher. Letters will be sent out soon.



'Growing Together in Newtown'
Lifelong Aspirations, Lifelong Prospects

Your child's learning in
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Reading

We will be reading Meerkat Mail. Throughout the week, pupils will develop their reading comprehension skills, by developing their understanding of vocabulary and making inferences about the text.

Throughout the week, your child will be heard to read by an adult at least two times. The focus will be on decoding, expression and comprehension in order to improve reading fluency.

Reading Challenge

Your child should be on track for their Silver Award by the end of the Spring Term. Therefore they should have read a total of 15 books. These books have been specially chosen to enable your child to experience a range of age-appropriate texts. Let's get reading!

RE

This term pupils will be learning about holy places. They will be exploring the big question: where and how do Christians, Sikhs and Muslims worship? As we approach the Christian season of Easter, pupils will consider what the 'good news' Christians believe Jesus brings is. Our theme in collective worship will be Courage and Forgiveness.

PSHE

During the first half of the term we will be discussing our dreams and goals. Following on, we will be looking at how to keep healthy.

Music

As musicians, we will find the pulse in rock music and respond through movement/actions. We will copy and clap back rhythms whilst moving to music. We will sing a rock song in unison from memory and in time with the music. We will identify high and low sounds when listening, singing or playing an instrument.



Writing

We are writing a story based on The Dragon Machine and developing our descriptions and characterisation. Pupils are working hard to improve their use of expanded noun phrases, powerful verbs and use of commas in a list.

Later in the term, we will be writing a simple discussion text based on penguins.

We are working particularly hard on our handwriting to ensure we have the correct pencil grip and forming all our letters and joins correctly.

Spellings will be given out on a Friday and will be tested the following Friday. We will be learning them in school, but please practise these at home as well.

Science

As scientists, we will be learning about living things and their habitats. Your child will be exploring the big question: How do we know that a habitat provides all living things with what they require? We will be thinking about what it means to be alive; how animals and plants live in habitats; and how they depend on each other in food chains within a habitat.

We will explore the habitat around our school before investigating microhabitats. We will make a wormery. We will learn about very different world habitats (the Arctic and the Sahara).

Your child will also develop their scientific enquiry skills through investigating some of the above ideas.

DT

This term we will be developing our textile skills by sewing our own masks and decorating them.

Maths

As mathematicians we are developing our understanding of multiplication and division. We will be learning about shape, fractions and measurements. These links will give you more information about how this looks in year 2: [Maths: Age 6–7 \(Year 2\) | Oxford Owl](#). We have started the mastery in number program, which helps to build up our fluency of key number facts.

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Geography

As geographers, we will be exploring the big question about planet earth: Can you describe the seven continents and five oceans that make up planet Earth?

We will learn about countries, capital cities, famous landmarks, landscapes, climate and native animals, in each continent. The children will create a passport that includes key facts of all the countries they investigate across the seven continents.

We will learn about the Equator, the Northern and Southern Hemispheres and the different climate zones.