

Year 2 - Mrs Long

Autumn Term 2025-26



Welcome to Year 2!
We hope you had a lovely summer and we are looking forward to a great year ahead.

This term our topic is **Community Heroes**.
Our big question is - **How can we work together to make our community a better place?**

In this topic, pupils will explore what it means to be a hero—not just the heroes they see in books or on TV, but **real-life heroes** who help and support our community every day. It will start with the pupils discovering what makes our community and learn about the different people who play an important role in keeping it safe, happy and welcoming e.g. foodbank volunteers or refuse collectors. These are the people who often go unnoticed. Pupils will learn that you don't need a cape or superpowers to be a hero; being kind, helpful, and brave are some of the most important qualities of a true hero.

The topic will move towards social action and responsibility and encourage pupils to see themselves as **heroes in their own way**. The pupils will think about how their own actions—like being helpful, caring, or brave—can make a positive difference in their family, school, and the community. This will build their confidence and help them understand the value of kindness, empathy, and responsibility. It will also support emotional well-being by encouraging children to think about their feelings and how they can support others. By the end of the topic, pupils should feel proud of the "superpowers" they already possess and be motivated to play a caring and active role in their community.

If any parents/carers of other family members have any experience or knowledge that would help our Autumn topic then please let us know as we would welcome visitors.

General Reminders

- Year 2 children should arrive at school at 8.55am. Children should be collected at 3.20pm.
- PE sessions for Year 2 will be **every Monday**. On Mondays, children should come in to school dressed in their PE kit - t-shirt, joggers/leggings and trainers. **No earrings to be worn on PE days.**
- Each child will have their own set reading day when they will need to bring their book bag in to school to read. Please listen to your child read as often as possible and write a weekly comment in their yellow reading record book.
- Please make sure that all items worn or brought to school have your child's name on them. Children should come in to school in a sensible coat and shoes.
- A homework grid will be available via TEAMS each half term. Children only need to choose one task per week which should be uploaded to TEAMS.

Sounds-Write

This year we are starting a new phonics programme called Sounds-Write. Sounds-Write is a complete phonics curriculum that teaches the skills, concepts, and code knowledge necessary for children to read and spell.



Snack

In the Foundation Phase we have healthy snack in class every day. Snack must now be paid at the beginning of each half term.

If your child brings their own snack in to school then please remember that this must be **fruit, vegetables or breadsticks only (no salted or cheese crackers please)**. Please put your child's name on their snack.

Please send a water bottle with your child's name on in to school with your child. **This must contain water, not squash or juice.**

Thank you for your continuing support. Don't forget that if you have any questions or concerns then please do not hesitate to ask.

Mrs Long