

Year 2 Curriculum newsletter - Summer 2 2026



Belonging

In **Reading**, Our focus is to look at the features of non – fiction books and use them to find out information. We will use them to retrieve facts and ask questions about what they are reading about.
We will continue to focus on fluency in reading and reading polysyllabic words without hesitation.

In **Writing**, we will be writing recounts of trips during Summer 2. Following this we will be writing leaflets to inform people of Alverstone Infant School and a Buddy Booklet to support our transition to the Juniors.
In **grammar**, we will be revisiting the taught skills from over the course of Year 2.

In **Geography**: We will learning the physical and human geographical features along Stokes Bay and investigating what people use it for.

Respect

Our topic this half-term is
Glorious Gosport!



In **DT**, we will be using the bridge and claw cutting hold to prepare vegetables to make soup!

In **SCARF**, we will explore the theme of Growing and Changing. Discussing being a helping hand, our growing bodies and respecting privacy.

In **Art**, we will be experimenting and investigating a range of techniques to create artwork that would benefit well-being.

In **Science**, we are looking at flowering plants and how seeds reproduce to make more plants. Understanding some plants die after producing seeds and others live for many generations. We continue to compare the Seasons and will finish our Longitudinal study.

In **RE**, we look at the concept Authority and what it means in the Christian and Hindu faith.

What do you think God looks like and what does he do according to the Bible?

Responsibility

In **Mathematics**, we will start with a recap of our skills ready for our Maths.co.uk assessments. We will be practising remembering the key times tables facts. We will look at telling the time and problem solving with time questions. We will solve word problems involving all four of the number operations and those which include all types of measurements e.g. weight, length and height.
Finally, we will revisit geometry again.

In **PE** we will be visiting the Alverstone Junior School on Friday each week for swimming lessons. If you can help walk with us please let us know.
We will also be doing outdoor PE working on our ball skills and control.

How you can help your child at home:

Reading: Please continue supporting them by providing them opportunities for them to be reading regularly their colour book band book from school. Sharing a story or a rhyme/poem is also a valuable activity, which helps to develop their language and vocabulary. Please continue to sign your child's reading diary each time you read together. Don't forget you will be entered in to our raffle the more you read.

Maths: Practise your 2, 5 and 10 times tables until you are fluent. That includes the division facts too.

[Daily 10 - Mental Maths Challenge - Topmarks](#)

Grammar and punctuation: Within our literacy sessions at school we will also be having grammar and punctuation sessions. The link below will give you some ideas of what your child could be doing at home throughout the year. If you have any questions, please speak to your class teacher.

[IXL - Which feeling matches the picture? \(Year 2 English practice\)](#)

[Letters and Sounds, English Games for 5-7 Years - Topmarks](#)

Check Tapestry for messages regularly.

Every Friday we will send home ideas for home learning. There is no expectation for this homework to be completed and submitted on a Monday. We just know some children like to do additional work at home.



Swimming

We will be starting swimming on Friday 5th June. Please support us by adhering to the following:

1. removal of earrings
2. hair tied up
3. arrive on time as we cannot wait for latecomers
4. ensure you have a breakfast
5. bring a full and correct swimming kit
6. ensure your child can dry and change themselves quickly and independently
7. provide a distinctive towel
8. provide a suitable bag to carry up to the Junior School
9. name all kit



SATs

As you may be aware, the Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs) are no longer compulsory in Year 2. However, in line with good practice and local guidance we will still be administering them over the next few weeks. Please be assured that although these are done under test conditions in the classroom, we make them as low key and stress free as possible. However, your child may tell you that they have done 'a test today' in class.

Dates for your diary

Inset Day – Mon 15th June

School photos – Mon 22nd June

Trip to GAFIRS – Thu 25th June

Summer fair – Sat 27th June

Transition day – 6th and 7th July

Summer family picnic – Fri 17th July

Leavers party – Mon 20th July

Leavers assembly – Tue 21st July

Last day of summer term – Wed 22nd July

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Please ensure your child's name is on **all** of their clothing, lunch boxes and swimming/ PE kits.

We are wasting valuable learning time looking for jumpers.

If your child has laces on their shoes, they must learn how to tie them up.

PE

We will be doing outdoor PE for the next half term on Wednesday so please dress accordingly. Please remove earrings and tie up hair on Wednesdays and Fridays. Your child must be able to remove their own earrings and store them safely if you forget.

Don't forget to:

Send in a water bottle on Monday.

Bring your book and reading diary every Monday – books can be swapped any day by your child.

Bring in library books for exchange every Monday.

Name all of your child's belongings

