



What is happening in Year 2?

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back! We hope that you and your family had a well-rested Christmas Holiday. We cannot believe it is the Spring Term already!

We have all been absolutely delighted with the fantastic first term, that the children have enjoyed in Year 2! The children have settled in very well with a positive attitude towards their learning!! It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school, happy and ready to continue with their Year 2 journey! We would like to say a **big thank you** for ensuring your child arrives at school on time, in their full school uniform.

We have another busy, but exciting term planned for your child and we are looking forward to seeing them make even more progress over the next few months.

As ever, if you need to speak to a member of staff about your child's progress, please feel free to approach any of us and we'll be happy to help!

Homework

Homework will be sent home weekly to support your child's learning. Please ensure that it gets completed and returned to school.

Reading

Reading is our big focus this year. We have now launched a new reading scheme called **Rhino Readers**, that helps children to practice and improve their reading skills.



They only need to spend around **10 minutes** reading at home every day - **'little and often!'**

Sharing a story and reading to your child will really help them too!

Happy reading!

If a reading book is lost or damaged - you will be charged £5 to replace it

Online Learning

Your child will receive a password for **MyMaths**. If you have access to the Internet, regular practice will really help your child with their Maths skills! The passwords will be stuck inside their Reading Record.



Theme Learning

Our Theme for this half-term Is **'Into the Jurassic Forest!'**



As readers, the children will read and order the key events in story *Dylan's Amazing Dinosaurs*.

As writers, they will be using adjectives, verbs and adverbs to write a description of the dinosaur fight scene!

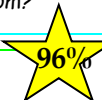
As scientists, we have compared dinosaurs and as historians, we have put different time periods in order.

The children have already experienced a visit from a dinosaur that left an egg!

Our Theme for next half-term will be **'Where does our food come from?'**

Attendance

Coming to school **every day** matters so that children make good progress in their learning. We are here to help and if you have any concerns about your child's health or any other reason which may be affecting attendance, then please do come and speak to your child's class teacher or **our Key Stage 1 Learning Mentor, Mrs. Thompson**.



Year 2 Staff



Welcome back to **Miss Meema**, who is back in Conway 1, after her maternity.

Mrs Nowell and Mr Matthews will still be teaching and working with small groups in all of the Year 2 classes!

Important Notices

P.E:

During the Spring Term, Year 2 children will be continuing to build their confidence and challenge themselves through the 'Real PE' scheme. Although each class has set days and times for P.E, they may have a P.E. lesson at any time.

To help children practice getting changed, we are now asking children to **bring in their P.E kit and change in school**.



P.E days:

Each class will have P.E. on the following days:

Conway 1: Thursday

Conway 2: Friday

Conway 3: Tuesday

Important Dates

Thursday 9th February
School closes for the half-term holidays

Friday 10th February - Training Day

Monday 20th February
We return to school

Friday 31st March
School closes for the Easter holidays

Monday 17th April
We return to school