

### Curriculum:

If you look at the school website (Classes and Curriculum - Classes - Year 2) you will find the detailed long term (Curriculum Map) for the learning that your child will engage with during Y2.

### English this term:

In English we will be looking at the language used in fairy tales as well as the structure of these stories. We will then be writing our own versions of Rapunzel and The Three Little Pigs. Daily Guided Reading lessons will take place following the Read Write Inc. scheme. During these sessions we will be focussing on both reading fluency and understanding of the text.

### Numeracy this term:

This term we will be continue to develop our fluency with numbers to 20 and beyond. We will be looking at place value by identifying the tens and ones in a number. We will then move on to look at addition and subtraction. Children's learning will be supported by the use of practical resources in lessons.

### Topics this term:

In History we will be looking at The Great Fire of London as well as Guy Fawkes and the gunpowder plot. Children will be sequencing events and artefacts and putting events onto a timeline. In Geography we will be naming and locating the continents and oceans on a world map. In Science our topic is 'Animals including Humans', we will be looking at the basic needs of animals including humans for survival.

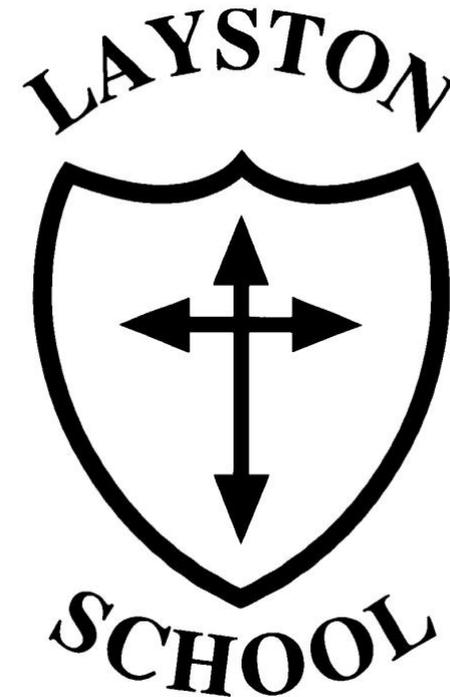
### Art and Design Technology this term:

These subjects will be blocked over 2-3 days. In Design and Technology we will be making our own fire engines using wheels and axels. During our Art lessons we will be investigating shape, pattern, printing and rubbings.

### RE and PSHRE this term:

In our RE lessons this term we will be exploring the questions 'What do Christians believe God is like?' and 'Who made the world?' During our PSHRE lessons we will be looking at the communities that we belong to and thinking about how we can keep both physically and mentally healthy.

# Welcome to Year 2 at Layston Autumn Term 2021



Loving to learn,  
Learning to love,  
For every child  
A chance to shine.

### The Year 2 Team:

Miss Wilcox is the Year 2 class teacher. Our teaching assistants in Year 2 are Miss Morten and Mrs Strachan.

### Timetable information:

Thursday is Forest School (remember forest school kit and wellies)

Tuesday and Wednesday are our PE days (remember PE kit, with trainers and joggers)

### Housekeeping:

Please make sure that all of the children's belongings are named!

### Reading:

Please make sure you read every day with your child at home and sign their reading record. It doesn't have to be the whole book, it could just be a couple of pages! Book bags need to be in school every day.

### Medicines:

If your child requires medication such as an inhaler or EpiPen, please ensure you have spoken to the office to update their Care Plan and that the medication we have is correct and in date.

### Lunch:

We remind you that we are a nut free school and also expect children to bring a healthy snack for break time, such as cheese and crackers, cereal bars, fresh fruit and vegetables.

Please check the school website for any further information or email [hwilcox@layston.herts.sch.uk](mailto:hwilcox@layston.herts.sch.uk) if you have any questions.

### Welcome to Year 2!

I am looking forward to welcoming the children into Year 2 and getting to know you all throughout the school year. The transition between year groups can sometimes seem daunting but I would like to reassure that I have worked closely with the Year 1 teachers to ensure that the transition is as smooth as possible. We have lots of exciting topics and activities planned that I am sure the children are going to love!

The school is committed to a 'Recovery Curriculum'. This is a national initiative to support schools to help children regain some of what they have lost due to lock downs. We will be adapting our Year 2 curriculum to address any gaps in children's learning and to ensure a smooth transition from Year 1 to Year 2.

I am always happy to answer any questions you may have. If you would like to talk to me, please make an appointment via the school office or catch me at the end of the school day.

Please look at the 'Parent' section of the school website which has lots of helpful resources to support you:

Home Learning Zone - full of information, resources and videos to support your child's learning at home and includes homework

Parental engagement - what do I need to do to support my child?

Well-being and Positive Mental Health - useful information on helping you and your child manage any issues related to mental health

Transition - videos to support transition