



Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable break. It's been wonderful welcoming Year 2 back into the classroom, and I'm looking forward to all the exciting learning we have planned for this half-term. Last term, the children showed great curiosity and respect as we explored the experiences of the Windrush generation. They reflected on their own identities and cultures and created a beautiful weaving project celebrating their homes and backgrounds. It was a joy to see the pride they took in sharing what makes them and their families special.

The Curriculum

This half-term, our topic is Minibeasts! We'll be getting hands-on in science to discover the amazing world of insects and other small creatures, exploring habitats, life cycles, and how these creatures play an important role in our environment. As always, you can find more information about our curriculum in the Summer 1 Topic Web.

P.E. days and Library days

Our P.E. days this half-term are **Tuesday (indoor)** and **Friday (outdoor)**. Please make sure your child has their full kit on these days, including suitable clothing for outdoor sessions in all weathers. A waterproof coat is recommended, as children will still go outside at break and lunchtime unless the weather is particularly poor.

Library books can be changed during lunchtime any day once your child has finished reading them. We also visit the library together on **Wednesday afternoons**.

Homework and Reading

Homework will continue to be set every **Thursday** and should be completed by the following **Thursday**. This will include:

- Doodle Maths assignments and regular practice (at least 3 times per week)
- Daily reading with an adult
- Optional extras or offline alternatives

Please support your child in developing consistent homework habits as it makes such a big difference!

Punctuality and Attendance

The school gate opens at 8.40am and all children should arrive as promptly as possible. Early work will be set, and register taken at 8.50am. Thank you for your support with your child's punctuality. Please continue to support children in developing an organised morning routine which allows them to arrive at school in time.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	<b>Year 2 Tennis Workshop - PM</b>
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Class Trip tied with our class topic to Oxford Museum of Natural History</b>
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Year 2 Celebration Assembly</b>
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	<b>End of term, 3:20 finish</b>

Finally, please ensure that the office have up to date contact information for you and other key adults in case of accident or illness during school hours. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions/concerns. I am available most days after school for a quick chat (with the exception of Wednesdays as I have a staff meeting), or you can call the office and schedule a longer meeting if necessary.

Kind regards,

Miss Cagney, Mrs Marsden, Ms Magill, Mr Jarvis, Mrs Martins and Mrs Bentley