

YEAR 2 Newsletter

AUTUMN TERM 1 EDITION

Hello and welcome back to Barncroft! This is the beginning of an exciting, engaging year for your child. We will work hard to support and challenge your child's learning and personal development on a daily basis. If you have any queries, please ask. We are available at the beginning and end of each school day. Thank you.

<i>Miss Oakley</i>	<i>Miss Marks</i>	<i>Mrs Graham</i>	<i>Mrs Mabbett</i>	<i>Miss Lennon</i>	<i>Miss Price</i>
Mars Class Teacher	Saturn Class Teacher	Mars Support Assistant	Saturn Support Assistant	1:1 Support	1:1 Support (Mars)

Everybody Come Aboard

In our literacy work we will be writing letters, instructions and descriptions. We will continue with daily letters and sounds (phonics) work, reading in class and weekly handwriting sessions and will continue to build and develop basic literacy skills.

Sharing books with your child is a really important part of their learning. We have now issued the new Reading and Phonics Logs and we would ask that you help your child to practice reading as much as possible and to ask them questions about their books to make sure they understand what they are reading.



Homework Expectations

Homework books are sent home every Thursday with the expectation that they are completed and returned to their class teacher on the following Tuesday. Homework guidelines can be found at the front of your child's homework book.

Homework spellings will be tested weekly and the sheets will be put in the books to keep you informed of the outcomes.

One MAC book activity should be completed and handed in daily.

Please ensure that your child reads daily too with expression, fluency and good understanding. Thank you.



PE

Mars and Saturn class have PE on a Monday afternoon. It is important that children have a PE kit in school. PE t-shirts have been provided for all children and are their house team colours. Please make sure all jewellery is removed on these days and long hair is tied back.

Kit may be brought into class either on the swimming day or the day before.

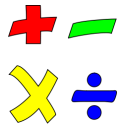
Please ensure children's earrings have been removed before school on swimming and PE days.



Maths

We are continuing to follow the Inspire maths programme that was introduced in Year 1. Some children may find this challenging but with your support to help them learn their times tables their confidence will soon grow. In Year 2, children learn the 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables.

The children have been learning about their Maths Achievement Certificates (MACs) this week. To ensure that each and every child is fluent in using numbers, we have developed our MACs booklets. Please encourage your child's learning by supporting them to complete ONE (just one, please), page of their booklet each day.



Learning Links on School Website

The Year 2 Team will keep our website page updated with links to support your child's learning. Please encourage them to have a look.

It can be found from the Our Learners option on the left hand side then select Year 2.



Year 2 Dates for Diary

Trip to Portsmouth Dockyard: Thursday 20th September (Saturn) Friday 21st September (Mars)

Assertive Mentoring Meetings

Mars Class with Miss Oakley:

Thursday 13th September (AM) and Monday 17th September (PM)

Saturn Class with Miss Marks:

Monday 24th September