



# Saint Bernadette's Catholic Primary School

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## Year 2 Welcome Newsletter

Welcome back to all of the children starting Year 2 this year. We are very excited to start our new year together, we hope you have had a lovely summer and feel excited to take on the new challenges ahead.

Please use this letter to find any important information for the start of the year. If you have anything else you would like to discuss then please do not hesitate to contact us.



**Mrs Simmonite**



**Miss Whalley**

### Staff

Mrs Simmonite is the class teacher for Y2 until February. From February, Mrs Canavan will return from Maternity Leave and take over as class teacher. As well as Mrs Simmonite, Miss Whalley be working with us in to support our learning. Y2 are also taught by SkillWise for PE and Mr Perry for weekly music lessons. If there is anything you think we need to know, please do ring/email school or send me a message on Class Dojo. Staff respond to Dojo messages between the hours of 8:30am and 5:30pm.

### Homework

Homework is a valuable way of enhancing your child's learning and we greatly value your support. Children will have weekly tasks of reading, spelling and times tables or work on number bonds.

The children will receive weekly spellings via Class Dojo. These will consist of words we are practising through our Sounds-Write lessons and some words which children should know by the end of KS1.

Your child will also be set a maths focus via Class Dojo to practise at home in their homework books. This will be followed by a maths quiz on Friday mornings.

On Wednesdays, the Wednesday Word will be sent out to read as a family, which talks about this week's Gospel.

## Reading

Reading should be completed at home as often as possible. Please make sure you sign your child's reading record each time you read with them.

Children can change their book when they have completed it. Your child will also bring home a 'reading for pleasure' book from our school library.

We will also be encouraging children to read a variety of books in school time via our classroom library.

Regular whole class reading lessons will be taught in class every week as well as in our daily English lessons.

## Equipment/Resources needed

Please remember to bring in your water bottle each day. They can be refilled during each day.

Our PE days are **Tuesday and Wednesday**, so the children will need to come to school wearing their PE kit on those days. Our PE Kit is our school PE T-shirt, plain black joggers/leggings/shorts and trainers with a plain black hoodie (no logo). Please label all clothing, coats and shoes.

## Lunches

If your child is opting for a school lunch then please order these online before the school day on MyEvolveHub. They can be ordered up to half a term in advance. Unfortunately, we cannot order dinners in school.

Children are allowed to bring in a healthy snack for break times. Please - no sweets, biscuits or crisps.

## Payments

We use 'ParentPay' for all payments to the school. Please contact the school office with any questions you may have about ParentPay.

## Attendance

It is very important to your child's education they attend school and arrive on time. If there are any problems, Mrs Crowder will be happy to help.

No holidays must be taken in term time.

### **Important Dates for Year 2**

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September – Meet the Teacher Evening at 6pm

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Parents evening from 1pm