



Through God, We  
Love, Laugh and  
Learn.

# ST. MICHAEL'S CE (VC) FIRST SCHOOL

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## Welcome to Year 2

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to Year 2. We hope you and your children are as excited as we are about the year ahead. We would like to introduce you to the staff that will be supporting the children this year. These include:

Ms J. Silvester; Teacher and Key Stage 1 Lead  
Mrs Williams-Fenton; Teacher and SENCO  
Mrs L. Wright; Will be covering in 2WF all day Wednesday  
Mrs Childs; Teaching Assistant  
Ms Cann; Teaching Assistant  
Mrs Hassall; PPA cover  
Miss Hand; PPA cover

### Learning in Year 2

The attached page outlines some of the learning that will be taking place in our classrooms this half term. Please help support your child by talking to them about what they are learning about in school. If you have any additional resources such as books or artefacts that may be used within the classroom to enrich the children's learning we would be most grateful. Please speak to your child's class teacher about these, thank you.

### Your child will need

Each day your child will need to bring in their reading book, reading diary and a named water bottle. If they would like their own snack to eat during morning play, then they may bring in a piece of fruit, only. There will be school fruit available.

### PE Days

PE will be **inside on a Tuesday** and **outside on a Thursday**.

Children will need black/navy shorts, jogging bottoms and jacket, a white round necked t-shirt and a pair of trainers (all named) in a bag which will stay on their peg for the half term.

### Supporting your child at home

Year 2 has a huge focus on reading and we encourage all children to read at home as much as possible. We also ask parents to support children in the learning of weekly spellings which will begin on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September. New spellings will be set and sent home on a Monday, to be tested on the following Monday.

## Our Topics for this Half Term are “Who am I?” and “Fun on the farm”



In English we will be learning as to how to write instructions. We will also be reading the stories - 'Oliver's Vegetables' and 'A Squash and a Squeeze' which will inspire our writing. The children will work on punctuation and sentence structure, as well as descriptive writing, poetry, recounts, explanations, non-chronological reports and diary writing throughout the year.

In Mathematics this term the focus is on number, such as number bonds, place value, addition and subtraction. Please can children continue to learn and reinforce the number bonds within ten and twenty, for example two numbers that add together to make a number within twenty and the corresponding subtraction fact. i.e.  $7 + 6 = 13$ ,  $6 + 7 = 13$ ,  $13 - 6 = 7$ ,  $13 - 7 = 6$ .

In Science we will be learning about the human body, the five senses and what each body part is used for. We will also complete a number of simple experiments.

In Religious Education we are learning about harvest, where fruit and vegetables come from and the local food bank.

In Physical Education we will be learning some playground games and developing our gross and fine motor skills.

In our Topic we will be learning about our school and local area, drawing ourselves and learning how to log onto the school computers.