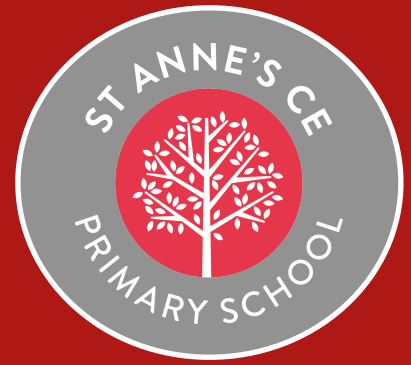


YEAR 2



WELCOME TO YEAR 2!

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Year 2. We are looking forward to the year ahead and getting to know you all. We have plenty to learn this year and we are excited to get started.

Mrs Thompson will teach the class all day Monday and Tuesday and Mrs Devonald will teach Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. If you would like to speak to us about anything regarding your child, you can contact us via the school office to make an appointment using enquiries@st-annes.lincs.sch.uk or you can catch us at the end of the day.

Class Dojo

Regularly updated information about what we have been up to can be found on our Class Dojo where you are also able to share things with us using your child's portfolio. If you have not signed up yet and need further information, please let us know.



English

We are very excited to start our new bespoke English curriculum for St Anne's this term. We have a new English Canon which gives pupils the opportunity to experience high quality texts. We begin with a selection of Aesop's fables and next term we are looking forward to exploring 'The Christmas Carol' in great depth. The children will have the opportunity to read and explore these high quality texts, learn and discover new vocabulary, develop their reading, writing and oracy skills.

In Handwriting lessons, children will be learning how to correctly form each letter with increasing accuracy and improved consistency of size to develop a mature style of writing as they progress through the different year groups.

Phonics or Comprehension lessons will take place daily. Children will be learning, reading and reviewing a range of sounds to support their reading skills at their own level. Support at home practising different sounds or reading regularly will be advantageous.

Maths

The children will take part in daily Maths lessons that will develop their fluency and reasoning skills building on what they already know and challenging their understanding. Maths will be taught in unit blocks and as part of each unit the children will be given opportunities to apply the skills taught in an investigative or real-life context. This will be achieved through a range of practical activities, puzzles and challenges. Throughout the Autumn term, the children will learn to read and write numbers to 100 in figures and words, partition and order 2-digit numbers, count in 2s, 5s and 10s and recall number facts for each number to 10, 20 and 100 to secure their understanding of number and place value. They will also learn how to add and subtract 1 and 2-digit numbers including multiples of 10, recognise, sort and describe 2D and 3D shapes including symmetry. Counting, adding, subtracting and having fun with maths at home is a great way to support and give confidence to your child. Using Numbots for a least 15 minutes each week for homework will also support your child and embed the learning taking place in school.

Science

In the first term, children will be exploring life processes shared by all living things and begin to understand habitats and food chains. After half term, we continue to build on our knowledge of habitats by investigating how microhabitats meet the needs of minibeasts.

Geography & History

In Geography, the children will be introduced to the idea of basic climate zones and mapping out hot and cold countries around the world.

In History after half term, the children will be learning about significant people and events associated with the history of flight including The Wright Brothers, Amelia Earhart, Bessie Colman and the moon landings.

Art & Design Technology

During our Art lessons in the first term we will be exploring colour mixing, printing and painting our own papers before using them to create a collage inspired by the artist Romare Bearden.

After half term, our DT lessons will focus on sewing techniques and creating our own seasonal decorations.

We hope you have a great Autumn term in Year 2!

**From
Mrs Devonald,
Mrs Thompson,
Miss Marshall and
Miss Pexton**

Home Learning

In Year 2, it is very important that the children continue to read regularly with and **to an adult at least 3 times a week** and share their reading for pleasure books.

In addition, it will be beneficial for all children to access their online learning resources which include Numbots and as the year progresses TTRockstars to help learn their times tables. We recommend a minimum of 15 minutes per week per app.

Additionally, some optional termly tasks are available to complete. There is no expectation for your child to complete these, but should they wish to complete some, please send in their work or share it on Class Dojo.

Religious Education

During the first half term, the children will be thinking about and exploring the question 'What do Christians believe God is like?' with a focus upon Parables, the Bible and considering how Christians show they are thankful for God's wonderful world. For the second half term, we will be learning about Islam as we answer the question 'How does faith and belief affect the way people live their lives?' as we find out about the Muslim faith and the Qur'an.

Computing

During the Autumn term the children will be improving their skills in using a computer and using a mouse to navigate, log on and off and to click and drag objects. We will be focusing on consolidating and enhancing their understanding of what a computer is and the role that computers play in the world around them. They will be exploring different forms of technology and will develop greater control when taking photos and using tablets or computers.

PE

The children in Y2 have PE twice each week, on a **Monday** and **Wednesday**. In Fitness, we will focus on exercise and core movement skills. In Ball Skills, pupils will develop their fundamental ball skills such as throwing and catching, rolling, hitting a target, dribbling with both hands and feet and kicking a ball. In Dance, we will explore space and how bodies can move to express and idea, mood, character or feeling in time to a beat and in Team Building we will develop communication and problem-solving skills and will have the opportunity to show honesty and fair play. **Please remove all earrings before school on PE days. Thank you.**

Music

Our theme for music in the first half of the Autumn term will be 'Call and Response' and the children will use instruments to represent animals, copying rhythms and creating call and response rhythms. After half term, we shall be focusing on learning songs with actions to tie in with seasonal celebrations.

PSHE

Through stories, drama, discussion and games the children will consider the themes 'Being Me in My World' and 'Celebrating Differences' in our Personal, Social & Health Education sessions. The children will think about their feelings and those of others, especially to support their return to school. They will consider roles, responsibilities and ways to make our classroom a happy and safe place as well as considering differences in each other and celebrating these as friends.

Diary Dates

Here are some important dates:

Autumn Term 1

- Whole School Belton House Trip 18/9/25
- MacMillan Coffee Morning 26/09/25
- Year 2 Online Safety Workshop 29/9/25
- Harvest Festival Celebration @ St. Anne's Church. All Welcome 3/10/25 9:30am
- Individual Photo Day 15/10/25
- Parents' Evening 14/10/25 & 16/10/25 - 3:30pm-6:30pm
- Autumn Term 1 Ends 23/10/25 @ 3:10pm

Autumn Term 2

- Children in Need - 14/11/25
- Fire Safety Workshop 17/11/25
- Christmas Fayre 3/12/25 1:30pm-3:30pm
- Our Christmas Show 10/12/25
- Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas lunch 16/12/25
- Christingle @ St. Anne's Church. All Welcome. 17/12/25 9.30am
- Autumn Term 2 Ends 19/12/25 @ 3:10pm