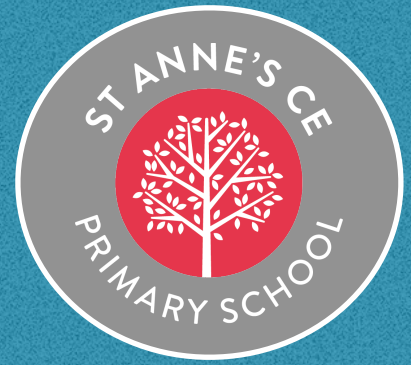


# YEAR 2



## HAPPY NEW YEAR 2026

We hope you have all had a joyful and restful Christmas break. We are excited to welcome the class back to continue our learning and enjoy all the fun things we have planned for the rest of the year. Mrs Thompson will continue to teach the class all day Monday and Tuesday and Mrs Devonald will teach Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Miss Marshall and Miss Pexton will also continue to support the children in class. 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](mailto: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. There will also be regular whole school updates throughout the term so keep a look out! If you need any assistance using Class Dojo, please let us know.



### English

We really enjoyed our English lessons last term focussing on key texts as part of our new bespoke English curriculum. For the Spring Terms we will focus on two new books from our English Canon which will continue to give pupils the opportunity to experience high quality texts. We begin with 'The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark' by Jill Tomlinson and after half term we will read 'The Velveteen Rabbit' by Margery Williams. 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 continue to learn how to correctly form each letter with increasing accuracy and improved consistency of size to develop a mature style of writing before beginning to learn to write using a cursive style.

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. Throughout the Spring Term, the children will learn to count and use money, explore their understanding of equal groups and extend this to develop their understanding of multiplication and division. The children will focus on x2, x5 and x10 and we will begin to use Times Tables Rockstars (TTRS) to support this at school and at home. After half term, learning will focus on length, height, mass, capacity and temperature. Counting, adding, subtracting and having fun with maths at home is a great way to support and give confidence to your child. Using Numbots and TTRS 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 different materials and their suitability for different objects. After half term, we continue to build on our knowledge of animals including humans, lifecycles and health.

## Geography & History

In Geography, the children will be introduced to our wonderful world, exploring the UK and the world, physical and human features, oceans and investigating maps of our local area.

In History after half term, the children will be learning about three significant queens in the British monarchy and how society changed during their reigns.

## Art & Design Technology

During our Art lessons in the first term we will be exploring how to shape clay. We will use a variety of tools to create different marks and textures to sculpt our own house tile.

After half term, our DT lessons will help us discover the importance of a balanced diet and we will create a tasty, nutritious wrap to meet a design brief.

We hope you have a great Spring Term in Year 2!

From

Mrs Devonald,  
Mrs Thompson,  
Miss Marshall and  
Miss Pexton



## Religious Education

During the first half term, we will explore Islamic celebrations such as Ramadan, Eid and New Year as well as looking in closer detail about Hajj as we answer the question 'How do people express their religion and belief?'

For the second half term, we will be learning about Christianity as we answer the question 'Why does Easter matter to Christians?' as we learn about the importance of the Easter story, what it represents for Christians and the importance of forgiveness.

## PSHE

During the Spring Term our whole school theme is *Dreams and Goals*. We will focus upon our goals and the steps needed so that we might achieve them. We will think about how we can persevere when things are challenging. We will also consider how we can work effectively in a team and celebrate our achievements and successes together.

## PE

The children in Y2 have PE twice each week, on a **Monday** and **Wednesday**.

In Gymnastics, the children will focus on increasing their range of basic skills. They will create simple sequences of actions on the floor and then begin to transfer what they learn on the floor to apparatus.

In Games, children will work on their throwing and catching skills, and consider tactics in a variety of team and target games.

**Please remove all earrings before school on PE days. Thank you.**

## 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 later this term 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.

## Music

Our theme for music in the first half of the Spring term will be 'Musical Storytelling' with a focus on how music can tell stories and then creating their own composition. After half term, we shall be exploring music inspired by 'Myths and Legends' and focusing on recognising, playing and writing rhythms and maintaining a beat.

## Computing

During Spring Term we will be developing confidence with the keyboard and the basics of touch typing. We will be developing word processing skills, including altering text, copying, and pasting and using keyboard shortcuts. We will also be learning about what an algorithm is and how to follow and write one.

The children are encouraged to consolidate their learning of times tables through using their TTRockstars login.

## Diary Dates

Here are some important dates:

### Spring Term 1

- Children's Mental Health Week 9/2/26-13/2/26
- Safer Internet Day 10/2/26
- Spring Term 1 Ends 13/2/26 @ 3:10pm

### Spring Term 2

- Parents' Evenings 24/2/26 & 26/2/26
- Book Fair (Dates to follow)
- World Book Day 5/3/26
- Comic Relief 20/3/26
- Y2 Road Safety Workshop 24/3/26
- Easter Service 30/3/26 @9.30am
- Spring Term 2 Ends 02/4/26 @ 3:10pm