



Welcome to Year 2

Welcome to Year 2! We are so excited to welcome everybody back for what we hope will be an amazing year. Miss Douglas is looking forward to teaching the old Acorn class once again and seeing how much they have grown and matured over the last year. Mrs Marsh is excited to get to know and build relationships with her wonderful new class. We have a fun and engaging core text-based curriculum here at Christ the King. We love to plan as many exciting opportunities as possible so that we have varied experiences and chances to step outside the classroom to explore and build curiosity.

Year Group Team...

Miss Douglas – Maple Class Teacher, Miss Lund – Learning Support
Mrs Marsh – Willow Class Teacher, Miss Howard – Learning Support

Working together **Twitter: @CTKLiverpoolY2**

If you want to feel closer to the classroom, please follow our Year 2 Twitter page to see what is going on in our school community. We would like to remind you that we do not respond to DM's on Twitter so if you have any questions to ask us, the best way to do so is to either contact the school office, speak to us at the door or, if it isn't an immediately pressing issue, leave a note with child for us to see. We will be sharing lots of the wonderful moments that the school day brings so please take a look.

Important things for Y2

Christmas Nativity Collective Worship. This will be led by children in Y1 & 2 and will take place in Christ the King Church. Each child will be given 2 tickets so family members can attend. It will take place on **Thursday 21st December 2023**.

Statutory Tests

Key stage 1

It is recommended that the key stage 1 tests are administered during May 2024.

Phonics screening check week - Week commencing Monday 10 June 2024. This will only be for children who did not pass in Year 1.

Equipment...

School provides pens and pencils so children do not need to bring in pencil cases or any other equipment from home. Children must bring in a labelled water bottle every day. Please can we remind you that all items of school uniform including bags, coats and shoes should be clearly labelled with your child's name.

PE & Forest School

In Year 2 our PE days are **Monday** and **Friday**.

Children will have their forest School session on a Monday. Please send in a pair of labelled wellington boots which can stay in school so they can access the outdoors no matter the weather.

Homework & Reading

Children should be reading for 10-15 minutes every day. This is so important for fluency and comprehension skills.

Reading books will be changed regularly and need to be in your child's bag every day.

Oxford Owl (online book matching their phonics lesson)

TT rockstars should be used 3 times a week and battles/challenges will be set each week.



Spellings. A spelling sheet will be sent home weekly, it will match what has been taught during the week and children will be tested in school.

How to help at home

- Support your child with any homework tasks.
- Reading, spelling and arithmetic (e.g. times tables) are always good to practise.
- Talk to your child about what they have learnt at school and what book(s) they are reading (the character, the plot, their opinion).

Useful Apps & Websites...

Times Tables Rockstars.

Reading Plus & Oxford Owl

Reading and GPS Games - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zgkw2hv>

Maths Games - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zjxhfg8>

Topics and core texts...

	Science	Humanities	Art/DT	PSHE	PE	Computing	Music
Aut 1	Living things and their habitats	Geography Locational knowledge (local area) and fieldwork	D/T To build something an animal can live in.	Everyone is different. and Get started Our choices!	Invasion Games Skills	Computer systems and networks (IT all around us)	Pulse, Rhythm and Pitch
Aut 2	Animals including humans	History The Great Fire of London	Art Collage based on Joan Miró	We like being different. and Don't Forget to let love in!	Gymnastics	Digital photography	Playing in an orchestra
Spring 1	Uses of everyday materials	Geography Place Knowledge Comparing Liverpool to a non-European country	Art 2-D shapes to create a 3-D form focusing on the style of Enid Marx	Getting along with others. and To much selfie isn't healthy!	Dance	Creating media	Inventing a musical story
Spring 2	Plants	History Titanic - Boats and ships (changes in living memory)	D.T Food technology creating and making a balanced meal	Friendship. and Don't hold on to what is wrong!	Striking & Field Game	Data and information - pictograms	Recognising different sounds
Summer 1	Scientific investigations	Geography Locational Knowledge. Oceans, continents, Polar regions and the Equator.	Art Painting water colours based on work by JMW Turner	Communication and Fake is a mistake!	Net & Wall Game Skills	Programming	Exploring improvisation
Summer 2	Scientific enquiries	History Stone Age	D.T To design and create jewellery	Our British values No way through isn't true!	Net and walking skills	Programming	Our big concert



Core Texts



Religious Education – Come and See

Topic 1 – Domestic Church - Family	Topic 2 – Baptism/Confirmation - Belonging	Topic 3 – Advent/Christmas - Loving	Topic 4 - Local Church - Community	Topic 5 – Eucharist - Relating	Topic 6 – Lent/Easter - Giving
Topic 7 – Pentecost - Serving	Topic 8 – Reconciliation – Inter-relating	Topic 9 – Universal Church - World	Judaism	Islam	

Additional Information

If you need to speak to your child's class teacher, please see them at the end of the school day for a short chat if they are available. The rest of the children in the class will need to be dismissed first. If you need a lengthier conversation, please arrange a meeting for a suitable time.

Thank you!

We look forward to working alongside you this year!