

Moving on to Year 2

Welcome to Apricot, Cherry and Plum Class

We would like to welcome you all to Year 2 and look forward to meeting you again soon. This is a leaflet to tell you a little bit more about what to expect in September.

The teachers in Year 2: Mrs Oliver-Cherry Class (Head of Year), Mrs Dobbin-Apricot Class and Miss Samy-Plum Class.

We are supported by our teaching assistants Mrs Halliday, Miss Lowbridge, Mrs Parker and Miss Weston.

Each day... Each morning we line up at the blue doors by the cookery room. Your teachers will open these doors at 8:40am. Our cloakroom is small and busy and we would like you to become independent as you move into Year 2. The register is at 8:50am. Put your lunch box on the shelf above your peg, and take your book bag and water bottle to the classroom.



During the day... We have our fruit and milk in the morning. Morning break is at 10:40 to 11:00. Lunch break is at 12:10 to 1:10 and we eat lunch at first sitting from 12:10 to 12:40. We also have a short afternoon break. Our school day ends at 3:20pm and the children leave from their classroom door.



P.E.

We have two PE lessons each week. Please bring your PE kit in on the first day of term in a draw string PE bag (rather than a ruck sack- space is limited in the cloakroom). If you have a blue Downview PE bag, please attach a key ring/mascot so that it is easy for you to find. P.E kit is: plain white T-shirt, blue/black shorts, trainers or plimsolls, a tracksuit/jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt. No earrings or jewellery. Earrings may be taped only for the first 6 weeks after being pierced. After this date they will need to be removed for P.E in accordance with the County's Safety Policy. Please remove earrings at home before school if your child cannot do this independently.



Reading Books

Please change your reading book once you have read it at home with a grown up who has written a comment in your reading record. Your child will continue to read from the Oxford Reading Tree books until their Book Box Book becomes their reading book/home-reading book later in the year as they continue to progress. Each child will have a Book Box Book and some children will also have an Oxford Reading Tree book.



Help wanted please... Parent/Grandparent helpers are greatly appreciated for hearing readers, working with groups, sharing talents or interests on a regular or occasional basis. Please see your child's class teacher if you are able to help. Thank you very much.

Year 2 Topics

These topics are subject to change in line with the requirements of the curriculum.

	1st Half	2nd Half
Autumn	Happy Holidays -Geography Treasures Near and Far- Geography (London to Felpham)	Nocturnal Animals London's Burning- History
Spring	Crimea Calling!- History I'm Happy and Healthy!-Science	Marvellous Materials-Science
Summer	All Creatures Great and Small- Plants & Habitats- Science	

During the year we have several visitors and special days...

- Exploring the School Woods-Wildlife Walk (Free)
- Florence Nightingale in the Crimea (Free)
- Great Fire Theatre Workshop (approx £4)
- Dell Quay (approx. Cost £15)

We have a dressing up day for The Great Fire topic. We will give you more details nearer the time and information about these days will be in your child's homework book.

In September we would like the children to bring in a postcard or photo of somewhere they have visited in the holidays such as Hotham Park or even abroad and a shoe box. We look forward to seeing you all again soon, in the meantime have a super holiday.

Best Wishes from,

Mrs Oliver, Mrs Dobbin and Miss Samy.