

Welcome to Year 2!

Year 2 team



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Communication

- Class teacher is your first point of contact
- Please come and chat to us first thing in the morning or at pick up time
- Alternatively, contact through year group email
- Year group email – year2@billingshurstprimary.org.uk
- Emails checked **up until 8.15am & 3.20-4.30pm**
- Your email will be acknowledged **as soon as it is read**. There may be further action required after this.
- You may then be called at the end of the day or a meeting will be organised
- Emails will be responded to within 24hrs
- Call the school office for absence or changes to pick-up arrangements

Writing

After discovering a school-themed time capsule from 1932, the children will use comparative language to compare school life in the past and present. As writers, the children will write a letter to inform the children of the future about school life in 2024. They will use time adverbials to sequence the parts of their day and conjunctions to explain. As poets, and in time for National Poetry Week, the children will explore the language used to show the passing of time in 'The Oak Tree.' The children will then write their own poetry to entertain and use their physical Oracy skills to learn and perform them to an audience.

Music,

As musicians, the children will sing songs expressively about harvest. They will develop their pitch, dynamics and tempo when singing in response to a leader's direction.

History

As historians, the children will learn about what schools were like in the past in comparison to now. The children will use sources and study timelines in order to explain how schools have changed in the last 100 years.

Life Skills

As citizens, the children will discuss what it means to be part of a community. They will discuss what different families look like and how they are different. They will use their social and emotional Oracy skills to discuss their and others feeling and how we can help them to feel better.

Mathematics

As mathematicians, the children will be partitioning numbers up to 100 using place value charts. The children will add and subtract two-digit numbers including those that bridge across a 10. They will use manipulatives (concrete resources), pictorial representations and abstract thinking to achieve this. They will develop their reasoning and problem solving skills.

Whole class reads & reading

As readers, the children will vote for a chapter book as a daily whole class read. The children will discuss and compare these texts and deepen their love for reading. During reading lessons, the children will be explore a variety of poems, playscripts, fiction and non-fiction texts. They will develop their prediction skills, broaden their vocabulary and increase their reading fluency.

Physical Education in/outdoor

As indoor athletes, the children will explore their balance, rhythm and flexibility through gymnastics and dance. As outdoor athletes, the children will explore their jumping, throwing and catching skills in teams games.



Year 2 Learning Web Autumn Term 2024

Art

As artists, the children will be developing their knowledge of digital art. They will use their computing skills to adapt art using graphics and manipulated to create their own digital work.

Computing

At Billingshurst, we take our online safety seriously. The children will be learning how to stay safe when using the internet. They will use iPads to research a variety of people, places and events safely.

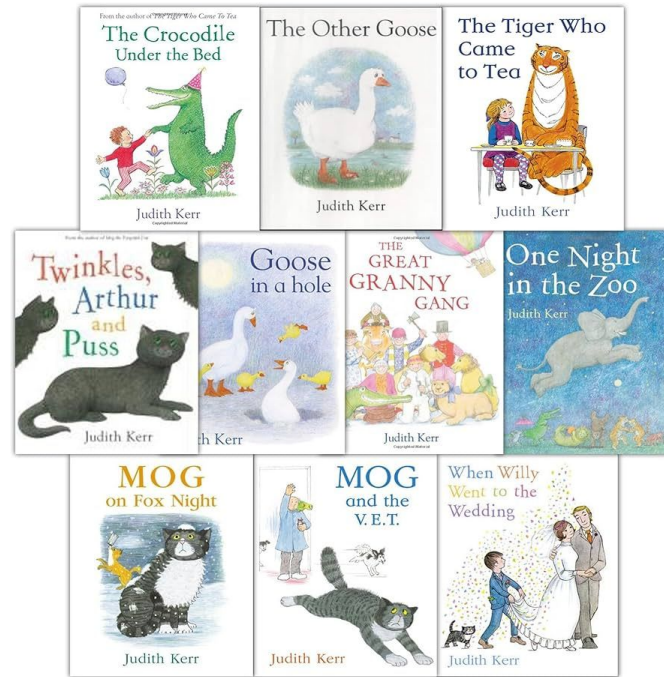
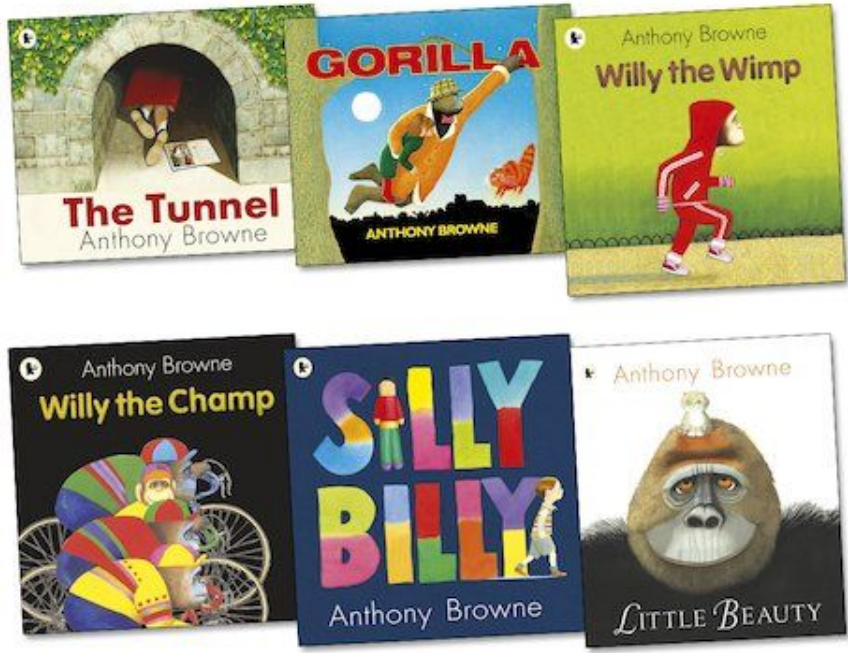
Additional information about learning

- In the Autumn term, Year 2 have PE on Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Please make sure children wear the appropriate PE kit into school, including warmer layers for the winter.



Mrs Gold

Reading



► During our reading sessions, we will be encouraging children to make predictions explain what has happened in a story and bringing the text to life through drama.

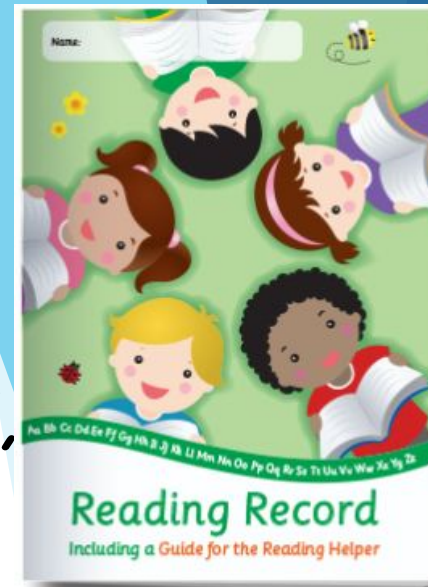
How to support at home

Reading:

- ▶ Your children will be sent home with an appropriate RWINC book every Friday.
- ▶ In addition to this, they will also have a book online (Oxford Owl).
- ▶ Comprehension group will enjoy reading an early chapter book and this can be changed on the following Friday as and when they are finished.
- ▶ Every other Tuesday, Year 2 will visit the library. Each half term, they will bring a book from the library home.

Reading records

- When you read with your children, please do write a comment in their reading records. For example, ***sounded out "sunshine", developing the 'i-e' sound.***
- The adults they read with at school will also write in these.
- Please try to ensure that your child reads every night (20 minutes).
- Whilst you are reading, please support your child to learn key words and ask questions about the books that they are reading.



English

- This year, the children will develop their writing skills by learning how to extend their sentences using conjunctions, how to describe using expanded noun phrases such as 'towering, tall tree' (rather than green tree).
- Spellings - Spelling rules and common exception words will be taught twice a week and picked up in writing lessons.
- Children will develop their stamina for writing as well as learning to join their handwriting.

Maths

- This year, children will develop their understanding of place value for two-digit numbers as well as adding and subtracting. This will then develop into using this understanding to multiply and divide a given number by 2, 5 and 10.
- Real life problem solving
- Children are encouraged to write 1 digit in each square.
- The children will learn all of their bonds to 10 and 20 and the 2-, 5- and 10-times tables by the end of KS1

Homework

- Comprehension group: weekly spellings will be sent home each Friday and tested the following Friday (orange books).
- RWINC green and red words - Oxford Owl
- Times table and number bond practice or targeted maths learning
- Daily reading (20 minutes a day)

Facebook and Instagram

We regularly post to our Facebook account and soon, we will be relaunching on Instagram, mirroring what is on Facebook



Uniform



- ▶ Children will need to wear correct uniform every day, including **plain black school shoes**.
- ▶ Grey or black skirts, shorts or trousers should be worn, together with a white polo shirt and blue jumper or cardigan.
- ▶ Our BPA Bees often have second hand uniform sales - keep an eye out for dates.
- ▶ In summer, blue and white summer dresses may be worn.
- ▶ Please do name **ALL** items of clothing - with over 600 children it is challenging to reunite people with unnamed uniform.
- ▶ **Lost property will be put in the school entrance on the last Friday of every month**

Healthy Minds

- Water bottles - access all day
- Healthy morning snack (provided in Year 2)
- Healthy lunchboxes
- Daily mile

Behaviour and expectations

- At BPA we have our Golden Rules
- Each class creates Oracy guidelines to follow in school.
- Assemblies
- House points
- School values
- Year 2 are role models for Early Years and Year 1

Attendance

- ▶ Attendance is the most important factor in ensuring your children make good progress at school
- ▶ Please make sure we have an up-to-date email address and phone number for you.
- ▶ If your child is going to be absent from school, please contact the school office to let us know.
- ▶ If you don't contact us, expect us to contact you!

Arrival and departure

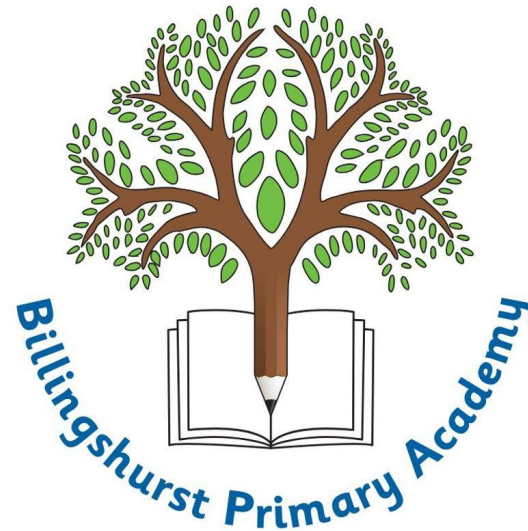
- ▶ Start of day: KS1 & KS2 gates open at 8:40am and close at 8:55am. Registration is at 8:55am.
- ▶ End of day: KS1 gate opens at 3:05pm, KS2 gate opens at 3:15pm.
- ▶ Finish times: EYFS: 3:10pm, KS1: 3:15pm, KS2: 3:20pm.

BPA Bees

- ▶ The BPA Bees support all of our events throughout the year, helping us to raise money for the school. Year 6 leavers, Christmas trugs, Welly walk, Summer fun day and much more!
- ▶ For this school year, they have helped fund outdoor learning projects and have given each year group money towards trips and activities.
- ▶ If you are interested in helping out then please do let us know.

Thank You

Thank you for attending and we look forward to getting to know you all!



Any Questions?