



# Year 2 Newsletter



## 2018

*As-salamu alaykum (Peace Be Upon You)*

We would like to wish you a warm welcome back after the holiday season and pray that the start of your new year has been one of laughter and happiness. All of the adults are very much looking forward to continuing their hard work readying the children for the SATS tests this year. The Year 2 teachers will be running Parent Workshops starting in the next two weeks to help you prepare your child for the SATS at home.

### The Year 2 Team



Class Name	Class Teacher	Learning Coach
Bint Abee Bakr	Mrs Aktar/ Miss Khanom	Mrs Hajera
Ibn Abbas	Mr Patel	Mrs Mulla
Ibn Zayd	Miss Barrett	Miss Juveriyah (LC) Ms Alibhai (1:1)

### Uniform

On the whole, Year 2 uniform has been very good, however, there are a few things we would just like to address at the start of this new term. Please make sure that girls are **only** wearing plain black scarves—the scarves cannot be any other colour or with any gemstones. Please also make sure that the children are wearing flat black school shoes and **not** trainers. Lastly, please make sure that **all** pieces of uniform are labelled with your child's name as we unfortunately had times last term when children could not find their jumpers.

PE days	Class Name	Bint Abee Bakr	Ibn Abbas	Ibn Zayd
	Day	Wednesday	Thursday	Tuesday



Please help support your child with bringing in their PE kits as soon as possible so that they can then leave them at school for the term. It would be incredibly helpful if each piece of clothing is clearly labelled as last term, some of the children ended up accidentally swapping tops and trousers with each other as they had the same. As it is getting very cold, we would like to ask for your support with making sure your child is wearing PE trousers and not shorts so that while they are outside, they are not too cold.

### Water

In the build-up to the SATS, it will be incredibly important that children maintain their focus and concentration by drinking lots of water. Water is also a good way of helping the children feel better if they begin to feel a little poorly with tummy aches or headaches. Please support us by providing your child with a water bottle which has their names written clearly on them.



### Important dates for your diary

5th January—Spirituality Day Exhibition at Cazenove

12th January—Reports to go to Parents

W/C 15th January—Parent Workshops for SATS to begin weekly (further details to be provided shortly)

W/C 5th February—Potential trip to Westminster Abbey based around R.E. topic



## Here is an overview of the units this term.

	Spring 1	Spring 2
<b>Maths</b> 	Multiplication and Division Fractions Telling the Time Solving Money Problems	Number and Place Value Addition and Subtraction Geometry—Properties of Shape Measurements
<b>English</b> 	Fiction: Play scripts Non-Fiction: Persuasive Writing	Fiction: Traditional Tales Non-fiction: Instructional Writing
<b>Science</b>	Use of Everyday Materials— Good Choices 	Living Things and Habitats— What is in your habitat?
<b>History/            Geography</b>	<b>History</b> — The Great Fire of London	<b>Geography</b> — Investigating our local area
<b>ICT</b>	We are Game Testers—algorithm testers	We are Zoologists—recording data
<b>RE</b>	Christianity—What it means for a Christian to belong to the Church	Christianity—The Easter Story 
<b>Visual Arts</b>	Elements of Art—Colour	Collage
<b>Music</b>	Singing Songs	Singing and Performing
<b>PE</b>	Making Up a Game	Dribbling, kicking and hitting
<b>PSHE</b>	Money Matters	Who Likes Chocolate?

### **Punctuality and Attendance**

Thank you with your support in this area. Now that the SATS are quickly approaching, it is incredibly important that we work together to make sure your child is at school as much as possible. Wherever possible, please do send your child in even if they have coughs or a slight cold—we have wonderful staff who will keep an eye on your child whilst they complete their fantastic learning.



### **Homework**

As a reminder, homework in Year 2 goes out each Friday and will be expected back in on the following Tuesday. It is very important that they complete all of their homework neatly into their Homework books and this will be monitored closely.

Each week, your child will be getting:

- Spelling homework
- Literacy homework—linked in to your child's learning of the week
- Maths homework—again, linked in to your child's learning of the week
- Hadith of the Week—linked to the teaching focussed on by the children within the week

In addition to the homework above, it is incredibly important that your child reads every single day for 15 minutes to an adult. Reading Records are not always returned and this needs all of our support to improve this—the Reading Records are a way of communicating between home and school about your child's reading and so it is essential that these are brought in every day. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to any member of the Year 2 team.

Kind regards,  
 The Year 2 team

