



# Year 2's News



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## Year 2's Wonderful Work

We've had another busy half term ! The children enjoyed our church visit, showing great respect throughout. We also embraced Times Tables Rock Stars Day, boosting our multiplication skills with enthusiasm. In maths, we've been getting to grips with money and making lots of sensible spending decisions. To finish the term, we entered a poetry competition and were incredibly proud of everyone's creativity and effort.



## What are we learning about this term?

In English we are writing magical setting descriptions inspired by *Leon and the Place Between*.

In our Maths lessons we are learning multiplication and division and practicing our times tables.

In Science, we are exploring plants and what they need to grow.



In Design Technology, we will explore textiles by using marbling ink to design, create and evaluate our own Japanese-inspired fabric pieces.



In Geography, we will be learning about Japan and comparing it to the United Kingdom. We will locate Japan on a world map and globe, identify that it is in Asia, and explore key physical and human features such as Mount Fuji and busy city areas. The children will explore similarities and differences between the UK and Japan and develop their geographical vocabulary.



In Science, we will be learning about plants and investigating what they need to grow. We will carry out an experiment using cress and broad beans to compare different conditions and observe how seeds germinate over time.

## Upcoming Dates/Events

School Trips: — TBC  
Parents' Evening: — TBC  
Assemblies & Events:

World Book Day – 06.03.26

Updates will be shared on Arbor.

## Reading at Holybrook

This year's theme is Mr Men and Little Miss by Roger Hargreaves. Children are welcome to dress as a favorite character from the series!

Please ensure reading books and journals are in school every day

Our class text: *Leon and the Place Between*.

## Maths at Holybrook

Key facts we are targeting:

2s, 5s, 3s and 10s  
(Forwards and backwards!)

Keep practising on Times Table Rock Stars and Numbots.

## Homework

Homework links directly to our learning in:

- Magical setting descriptions
- Multiplication and division
- Plants
- Japan and marbling design

Please bring homework in as and when it is completed. We love to see you learning at home !

PE is on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Sports studied: Gymnastics and Basketball

# Year X's Attendance

Regular attendance is essential for every child's success. Being in school every day helps pupils build strong learning habits, keep up with the curriculum, and develop social and emotional skills. Missing lessons can make it harder to catch up and can affect progress over time. By working together to ensure good attendance, we give every child the best chance to achieve their potential. School starts at 8.45am.

**Current Whole-School Attendance: 94.7%**

**Year 2 Attendance: 93.9%**

**Target Attendance: 96%**

**National Average to date: 94.6%**

100% Attendance	Superb!
97% Attendance	Good
95% Attendance	Slight concern
90% Attendance	Very concerned
85% Attendance	Local authority intervention

Lateness=Lost Learning		
5 minutes late each day	=	3 days of learning lost
10 minutes late each day	=	6.5 days of learning lost
15 minutes late each day	=	10 days of learning lost
20 minutes late each day	=	13 days of learning lost
30 minutes late each day	=	19 days of learning lost
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