



Year 2
Mrs Pike and Miss McFadden
Autumn Term 2026



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the start of what will be a fantastic year in Year 2. We hope you have all had an enjoyable Summer and are ready for an exciting year ahead. In Year 2 this year, Mrs Hillary and Mrs Smalley (Miss Potter) will support the children in class with us. This year we will be working very hard and having lots of fun along the way. If you have any questions, then please remember we are always here to help; either speak to us at the end of the day or email the school office:

office@harwood-meadows.bolton.sch.uk

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HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD

- Read with your child at home. If possible, at least 3 times a week. Please remember to sign your child's reading record.
- Practise spellings, number bonds, multiplication tables (2s, 5s and 10s) and number facts.
- Encourage your child to develop their independence, remembering their water bottles, packed lunches and coats, as well as fastening coats and laces.
- Remind your child to hand in any letters or reply slips to their teacher.
- Check your child's reading packet each day.
- Check Class Dojo for any messages and updates of learning.

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Aspirational
Resilient
Kind

THINGS TO REMEMBER

TUESDAY is our P.E. day. Please come to school dressed in your PE kit. Earrings **must** be taken out at home, please.

TUESDAY new reading books will be sent out.

FRIDAY is spelling test day. New spellings will be sent home for children to practise.

UNIFORM: Please make sure that your child's uniform is clearly labelled; we have so many children that items of uniform and P.E. kit are easily lost. Children with long hair must have it tied back in a hair bobble. Children should wear the school P.E kit (navy shorts and red t-shirt).

WATER BOTTLES: Please make sure that children bring a clearly labelled water bottle into school each day.

HOMEWORK will be sent home each Friday and is due back each Wednesday.

SNACK: All children in KS1 are offered healthy fruit each day, these vary from raisins, pears, apples etc. You can also send your child to school with a healthy snack in addition to this.

All Children in KS1 are eligible for free school meals. Please speak to the office if you would like your child to receive a school meal.

READING BOOKS

Your child will bring home a Read, Write, Inc. book bag book which is linked to the level they are working at. The books are closely linked with the book read in school and offer additional practise reading the graphemes taught that week. Please read with your child every day and **sign their diary**. Reading books will be changed weekly and a new book will be allocated. Children will read at different times during the week. Please ensure your child brings their reading book and diary to school **every day**. Your child will also bring home a book from the 100 books challenge to enjoy together.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Wednesday 16th September** - Meet the teacher. Two options available to attend: at 3:45 or at 4:15
- **Friday 18th September** - Individual photo day.
- **Friday 23rd October** - Great fire of London in school visit to Stockport
- **Friday 23rd October** - Break up for **2-weeks** half term
- **Monday 9th November** - Return to school
- **Tue 24th & Wed 25th November** - EYFS/KS1 Parent conference
- **Friday 11th December** - Christmas Jumper Day/ Christmas Fair/ Christmas dinner day
- **Tuesday 9th December** - Turton Tower Christmas visit
- **Wednesday 16th December** - KS1 performance 2pm
- **Friday 18th December** - School finishes at 2pm.
- **Monday 4th January** - Return to school.

SUBJECT OVERVIEWS

MATHS: Place value; Addition and Subtraction; Money; Multiplication and Division.

ENGLISH: Descriptive writing; letter writing; narrative story writing; riddle and list poems; non-chronological reports.

SCIENCE: Living things and their habitats; Animals including Humans.

GEOGRAPHY: Exploring maps of the UK and the world; identifying the 7 continents and 5 oceans.

HISTORY: The Great Fire of London.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY: DT Week - Cooking and nutrition.

COMPUTING: E-Safety; digital literacy; basic skills; logging on and off; typing; saving and copying.

PE: Balancing; sprinting; jogging; dodging; hopping; safe use of equipment.

PSHE: Being me in my world.

RE: Our World – How should we care for others and for the world, and why does it matter?

MUSIC: Hands, Feet, Heart – A Celebration of African Music.

ART: The Tool Shed (Art week – Jim Dine)

SCHOOL RULES

Ready...Respectful...Safe

CLASS DOJOS

Children will earn dojos in class all year towards their bronze, silver, gold and platinum badges.



50 dojos = Bronze 100 dojos = Silver 150 dojos = Gold 200 = Platinum

If you haven't signed up already, you will receive a parent sign up code so you can follow your child's progress.