



# St Edmund's Catholic Primary School



## Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter Spring (2025)

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a wonderful holiday season.

As we start the new term we're excited for all the fun and learning ahead in Year 2.

We're so proud of the progress Year 2 has made so far and can't wait to see what they achieve this term. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us via Class Dojo.

Thank you for your continued support.

Warm regards,

The Year 2 Team (Hajni, Debbie, Monika and Mollyann)

### Key Dates:

Key dates including class assemblies, enrichment days / events and coffee mornings can be found on Class Dojo

Trips take place each half term and are planned to support the half termly learning. Separate letters will be sent to inform you of details for upcoming class trips. These are also added to the school's calendar on Class Dojo.

### PE:

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit on for school on Monday for PE day. Children must have a full school PE kit to ensure personal hygiene and safety.

PE Days: Monday

### Homework:

Children in Year 2 should spend a set time each day completing homework to ensure good routine and practice their spelling words.

### This should include:

**Reading Together:** Encourage daily reading and discuss the stories with your child. Ask about characters, settings, and their favorite parts. (Please sign the diary to show this has been completed).

Learning their weekly spellings (use this for practice their handwriting).

Online Doodle learning (English, Math, Timetable and Spelling)

Encourage Curiosity: Ask your child about what they learned each day to reinforce classroom learning.

### Literacy:

**Narrative Writing:** We use the book *Toys in Space* as inspiration to create imaginative fantasy stories, focusing on using expanded noun phrases and *Tadpole's Promise*, a tale that inspires story set in familiar places.

**Non-Fiction Writing:** Write clear instructions, inspired by a "Kids Can Cook" recipe book.

**Poetry:** Discover the funny and creative poems of *Edward Lear*.



### PE:

**Ball Skills:** Improving throwing, catching, dribbling, and teamwork through fun activities.

**Dance:** Exploring movement, rhythm, and creativity while learning simple routines.

### Spanish:

They will ask and respond to the question "¿Qué tal?", understand simple classroom commands, learn to count from 1 to 10, name the months of the year, and identify basic colors.

### Computing:

Children will learn about questioning and effective searching, exploring how to find information online safely and efficiently. They will also dive into the exciting world of digital music creation, using tools to compose their own tunes while developing creativity and technical skills. It's going to be a fun and interactive term!

### Maths:

**Money:** Recognizing coins and notes, counting amounts, and solving real-life problems like giving change.

**Multiplication:** Learning times tables and understanding repeated addition.

**Division:** Practicing sharing and grouping to divide numbers.

**Measurements:** Exploring length, height, mass, capacity, and temperature through practical activities.

## Year 2 Learning Overview Spring

### History:

We are learning about **toys** from the past and present. The children will explore how toys have changed over time, comparing old-fashioned toys with the ones they play with today.

### Geography:

Our topics is the areas of the UK in Geography. Children will learn about the four countries and their capitals, landmarks, and special features.



### Science:

In Science, we are exploring **Living Things and Their Habitats**. The children will learn about different animals and plants, how they depend on each other, and the environments they live in. We'll also investigate how habitats provide the things living creatures need to survive.

### Art and D&T:

In DT, we are getting creative by making puppets and exploring patterns and printmaking.

The children will design and decorate their puppets. In Art we will explore patterns and printmaking, creating beautiful designs using a variety of techniques and materials



### Religious Education:

We are learning about **our local church** and its role in the community. We'll also explore the significance of **Lent and Easter**, discovering the traditions and stories behind these important Christian events. Additionally, the children will be introduced to **Hinduism**, learning about its beliefs, celebrations, and practices.