



Conway Newsletter: What is happening in Year 2?

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you and your family had a restful Christmas Holiday and a Happy New Year. We cannot believe it is the Spring Term already!

We have all been absolutely delighted with the fantastic first term the children have enjoyed in Year 2! The children have really approached school with excitement and enthusiasm! After completing our first assessments in Year 2, we are pleased to tell you that the children are making excellent progress. We are also delighted to welcome Miss. Meema to Harehills Primary School. She will be the class teacher in Conway 1 for the rest of the school year.

It has also been wonderful to see the children return to school after the Christmas holidays refreshed and ready to continue with their learning! Thank you for helping us to support your child by ensuring they arrive at school on time every day, wearing their full school uniform. We have another busy, but exciting, term planned for your child and we are looking forward to seeing them make even more progress over the next few months.

As ever, if you need to speak to a member of staff about your child's progress, please feel free to approach any of us and we'll be happy to help!

Homework and helping your child at home:

For your children to make as much progress as they can, we ask that they **read at home for at least 10 minutes every day**. Please write down what they have read and how well they have done in their Reading Record.



Your child also has spellings to learn every week.



Your child now has a password for **Phonics Bug** and **Mathletics**! If you have access to the Internet, regular practice will really help your child with their Phonics and Maths skills! The passwords have been stuck inside their Reading Record.

Theme Learning:



Our Theme for this half-term is *'Into the Jurassic Forest!'* As readers, the children will read and order the key events in story *Dylan's Amazing Dinosaurs - the Stegosaurus!* As writers, they will be using adjectives, verbs and adverbs to write a description of Roar Island, as well as their own version of the story. As scientists, we have compared dinosaurs and as historians, we have put different time periods in order. The children have already enjoyed a visit to school by some dinosaurs!

Our Theme for next half-term will be *'Where does our food come from?'*

Attendance:

Coming to school **every day** matters so that children make good progress in their learning. We are here to help and if you have any concerns about your child's health or any other reason which may be affecting attendance, then please do come and speak to your child's class teacher or **our Key Stage 1 Learning Mentor, Mrs. Thompson.**

Introducing Miss. Meema!

My name is Miss Meema, I've moved to Leeds from London and am the new teacher in Conway 1! I've been made to feel very welcome by everyone at Harehills Primary and am greatly looking forward to an exciting term!

Important Notices

P.E:

During the Spring Term, Year 2 children will be continuing to build their confidence and challenge themselves through the 'Real PE' scheme. Although each class has set days and times for P.E, they may have a P.E. lesson at any time.

P.E kits and suitable outdoor trainers are essential! Please ensure that they bring the correct P.E kit to school on a Monday and leave it in school until Friday.

P.E days:

Each class will have P.E. on the following days:

Conway 1: Thursday (2 lessons)

Conway 2: Thursday and Friday

Conway 3: Tuesday and Thursday



Pumps:

In order to help your child feel comfortable in school and to keep the classrooms clean, please can you ensure that your child has a pair of pumps to wear inside the school building.

Important Dates

Friday 14th February 2020: School closes for the half-term holidays.

Monday 24th February 2020: We return to school.

Monday 16th March 2020 - Friday 20th March 2020: Practise SATs Week - more information to follow!

Friday 3rd April 2020: School closes for the Easter holidays.

Monday 20th April 2020: We return to school for the Summer Term.

Remaining class assemblies this year:

Tuesday 11th February 2020: Conway 3

Tuesday 23rd June 2020: Year 2 Snapshot of Learning