



Year 2
Autumn Term Learning
2026 -2027



Please find an overview of your child's learning for Term 1 and 2 on the reverse of this sheet.

How you can help:

Reading, spellings and handwriting are the main areas you can make a huge difference at home, and these are what we expect the children to complete as homework each week. Little Wandle Reading books are changed on Fridays, and the children have a Reading planner that they can bring to and from school to track their reading at home.

Year 2 Children will start the Renaissance Reading program when they are ready and complete a comprehension test once they have finished their book. Children should try to read with an adult every day; a good guide is 10-15 minutes per day (depending on the length of the book). It is even more helpful if you can ask them questions about what they have been reading, or to predict what they think will happen next.

Each week, your child will be given a list of spellings for their ability. They are tested once a week, on a Friday. You can really support your child by helping them to learn their spellings at home. A few minutes each evening or as you are walking to or from school will make all the difference.



PE

The children will continue to participate in PE sessions each week. Our PE days are **Tuesdays (Indoors)** and **Thursday (Outdoors)**

Children will be required to come in wearing their PE kit. The children will be going outside and will need suitable outside kit including trainers or plimsolls. School PE kit consists of black/navy shorts, white polo shirt, black plimsolls, trainers. Black/navy sweatshirts and tracksuit bottoms can be worn in winter. Please no hoodies or logo sweatshirts. Earrings must be removed for PE by the child or not worn to school on that day please. Children who cannot remove earrings will be required to tape up their ears.

Religious Education

All year groups study a range of religious beliefs in a knowledge capacity. In terms 1 and 2 the children will learn about what it is like to belong to a faith community. This will then lead into learning about what Christians believe God is like.



If you have any questions or would like more information about how to support your child's learning, please call or email the school office on 01752 706360 or beechwood.office@discoverymat.co.uk and the class teacher will return your call when they are free.



MATHS: In maths we are focusing on place value and learning the importance of value of number. This includes counting, partitioning and exploring number. From this, we will be using place value skills to add and subtract numbers.



COMPUTING: In computing we are focusing this term on self image and identity online. They will learn what it means to be online, how to be safe online and report things they do not think are 'right' or they are comfortable with.



ENGLISH: in Year 2 will be using the story 'A river'. This is a circular narrative, where the main character goes on an adventure but ends up back where they started. As well as this unit, children will continue to develop their reading through Little Wandle.

TERM 1: Great Fire of London

Book: River

SCIENCE: In science we will be learning about animals, including humans, and how they grow and develop. We shall be exploring different animal offspring, investigating how they change as they grow and learning how to stay healthy through exercise, a balanced diet, sleep and good hygiene.



ART: During our art lessons we shall be exploring the work of Megan Coyle. From this we shall use similar techniques to create our own piece of collage art.



HISTORY: In history we will be exploring the Great Fire of London, discovering when and how it started and learning about the impact it had on London. We shall investigate how the fire changed the city and how London was rebuilt afterwards.



ENGLISH: In English we will be using the story *The Night Gardener* to write our own setting descriptions and diary entries. We shall also be completing Little Wandle sessions to develop our reading fluency and confidence.

SCIENCE: In science, we will be focusing on materials. We will look at naming materials and their properties. We will also enjoy participating in some experiments.



MATHS: In maths we are focusing on addition and subtraction. This includes partitioning and exploring key number facts



MUSIC: In music we will be having a special visitor come into school to teach us how to play the ukulele. We shall learn new skills, explore different sounds and have lots of fun making music together.



TERM 2: British Bridges

Book – The Night Gardener

COMPUTING: We will be following the National Online Safety scheme which will support our learning about managing information online.



DT: In DT we will be learning all about bridges and how they function. We shall explore different types of bridges and investigate how they are built.

PSHE: We will be discussing what helps us to stay fit and healthy.