



House Keeping Letter

Term 1

Year 2

**Saint Matthew**  
Miss Daniels and Miss Medhurst

**Saint Phillip**  
Mrs Foreman and Miss Eldridge

Welcome back to year 2 - we are so pleased to have you back. Please see below important information regarding your child's learning, reading, homework and PE.

**Reading**

Your child will be assessed in their reading level using a program, Accelerated Reader. You child will receive their first reading book at the correct level on Friday 11th September. After this, your child will be expected to read their book every night and have their reading journal signed daily. They will receive house points daily for their signed reading journal. You will then receive a new book every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Your child will take a quiz on the book they have read and we will record their scores for you in their reading journals. If your child does not pass the quiz, they will keep the reading book and we would encourage you to read the book again and check your child's understanding of the book. E.g. "What happened? Why? What was the problem? Which character went to....? How was the character feeling? How do you know? What does ..... mean?"

**Homework and spellings**

Spellings and reading are compulsory for daily practice. Your child will receive spellings on a Monday to practice at home and will take a spellings test on Friday. We will record their results in their journals. Homework 'dip and dos' will be posted onto jotter for the term. You can access the jotter platform through the website homepage and on our year 2 page. Please do let us know if you have any problems. Weekly learning will also be posted onto jotter in case your child has to work from home or isolate.

**PE**

- PE will be on Tuesdays.
- Your child will need to bring in their kit for Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September at the latest. This kit will remain in school for the term and will be sent home with your child to be washed at the end of term.
- If your child wears earrings, please have them removed or taped up before school on a Tuesday.

Your child needs the correct Saint Michael's PE kit, but please also provide jogging bottoms and a jumper as we will be outside as much as possible in the colder months.

**Read, Write, Inc.**

We will be continuing to learn and recap our sounds ready for the phonics check, which we missed at the end of year one. This will be administered in term 2 and we will give you more information for this on our **parent-meeting day - Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October.**

**Literacy - Here We Are by Oliver Jeffers**

We will be reading Here We Are this term and we will be covering descriptive writing and information pages:

- Descriptive writing - Sentence types, using finger spaces, using capital letters and full stops, using adjectives and simple metaphors to describe.
- Information pages - Fact and opinion, giving instructions, verbs and nouns.

**Maths**

- Numbers to 20 and 100 - place value, one more and one less, addition and subtraction within 20 and within 100.
- Recapping number bonds to ten.

**Religious Education**

- This term our RE topic is **The Chosen People**. We will be looking at significant figures in the Bible and their special characteristics (Abraham, Moses, Daniel).

**Science**

- This term we will be covering animals including humans, looking especially at ourselves. We will be recapping the different animal groups from year 1, looking at how animals and humans grow, studying our body parts and their functions, how animals survive and how we keep healthy.

**Topic (History and Geography) - Our Saint Michael's Community**

- We will be covering our local area and the physical and human features within the area.
- We will be looking at where we live and how to use and create maps.
- We will also be recording seasonal data for our local area and comparing this with other places.

**Art and Music**

- Using colour and line to create self-portraits.
- Using sounds and body percussion to demonstrate different objects and animals.

**Computing**

- We will be using a new online program called **Purple Mash**. We will be coding this term.

**Jigsaw - Being Me in My World** (and keeping ourselves and others safe in school).