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Half Termly News Year 2

Year group -2	Term - Autumn 1	School Value - Empathy
Year 2 News	Reminders	School Diary
We would like to welcome you to Year 2. We are really looking forward to getting to know all of the children and enjoying a fun-packed year filled with a variety of learning opportunities! Please make sure that all items (clothing, PE kits - including shoes - water bottles, lunchboxes etc) are named. Thank you for your support.	Reading books and diaries need to be in school every day. Homework to be handed out every Friday and returned the following Thursday. Spelling test every Thursday. PE kit is needed on Mondays and Tuesdays - please make sure your child's PE kit is appropriate for the season.	4/9/25 - children are back 8-12/9/25 - Author week 8/9/25 - Clubs start 26/9/25 - MacMillion Coffee 29/9/25 - Photographs 2/10/25 - National Poetry Day 7/10/25 - Harvest Assembly 10/10/25 - Global Friday 17/10/25 - Flu vaccinations 17/10/25 - School Disco 21-22/10/25 - Parent Consultations 23/10/25 - Non uniform day 24/10/25 - INSET day
Trips and events Year 2	Rewards used	Homework and projects
9/9/25 - Y2 Meeting with new parents 17/10/25 Year 2 Shepreth	House points Headteacher awards Stickers Star of the Week award Reader of the Week award Attendance awards Brag Tags Marble Jars	Maths each week Read every day (to be written in Reading Record) Spellings
Subject	Key Learning and vocabulary	



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Reading	Regular whole class reading lessons on a variety of different texts - fiction and non-fiction. We work on VIPERS- Vocabulary, Inference, Prediction, Explanation, Retrieval and Summarise.
Writing	Class Author – Learning about our class author and writing a biography based on the author. Hibernation– non fiction– non chronological report and fact file about hedgehogs.
Maths	Place value, addition and subtraction. (Soundar will also be learning shape.)
Science	Habitats - Living and non-living things, different habitats, identifying and naming animals including insects in habitats, and simple food chains (producers and consumers).
Computing	Purplemash Spreadsheets - cells, columns, totalling tool, inserting images, graphs and Dan Bricklin.
Geography	What a wonderful world - continents, sea, ocean, countries
History	Timelines - The gunpowder plot - drawing comparisons between then and now. War and remembrance - First World War.
Art	Explore and Draw using different media and using tools in a variety of ways.
DT	Food technology - Designing, Making and Evaluating Healthy Skewers.
French	Les Salutations - bonjour, salut, au revoir, ca va? To say their name and how they are feeling.
PE	Fundamental Movement Skills 2 - jumping, moving backwards and evading others & Target Games 3 - kicking



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	and throwing a ball accurately.
Music	Pulse, rhythm and pitch - using body percussion and patterns on glockenspiels.
RE	What is the 'good news' that Christians say Jesus brings?
PSHE	Heads Up Kids -12x30 min lessons about emotions and language.
Enrichment tasks	Visiting Whipsnade or Hertfordshire Zoo Going to the Library Making hedgehog boxes or bug hotels Listen to different types of music and clap the rhythm Websites - Phoncisplay.co.uk Topmarks.com BBC bitesize Numberblocks Alphablocks Oxford Owl
Other Messages	Let's celebrate success together: If your child has completed an outside activity recently such as (but not limited to) receiving a certificate in swimming, gymnastic, dance or football please email Theleyshavetalent@leys.herts.sch.uk with a small summary of achievement and an image.

Link to the long term plans - $\underline{\text{https://www.leys.herts.sch.uk/ki-classes-leys.html}}$