

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely half term break. What a busy and exciting half term this promises to be.

We are eager to get started, so here's an overview of what's happening this half term.

Spelling

Overleaf, you'll find our spelling list for this half term. Spelling tests will continue to take place each Friday, the first test will be on Friday 27th February.

Homework

This term's homework will have a Geography focus. We'd like the children to create a postcard, from one of the four countries of the United Kingdom or they can choose to create a 3D model of a famous landmark from one of the countries of the UK. They can complete this in their homework books, or if they prefer, get creative and make something they can share and talk about in class. Tuesday 24th March is the hand in date. Many thanks in advance and we look forward to seeing their creations.

Times Tables Rock Stars

Now that we are well into our Maths curriculum, we expect all children to complete at least **20 minutes per week** on *Times Tables Rock Stars* as part of their homework. Login details have been stuck inside your child's homework book, and a letter was sent home in Term 1. If you need any further information or support, please don't hesitate to ask.

Dates for your Diary:

World Book Day: Thursday 5th March 2026

Burnham Library visit: Wednesday 4th March

Kind regards,

The Year 2 Team

Week 1 words with:	Week 2 words with:	Week 3 words with:	Week 4 words with:	Week 5 words with:
ch, sh, ai, igh	ou, oa, a, o	ch, tch, sh, ch	ti, ci, g, gu	ear, eer, air, are
chip	out	church	nation	hear
ship	loud	chair	action	near
night	boat	watch	motion	cheer
rain	road	match	special	deer
chain	cat	ship	city	fear
light	hand	shell	guess	air
fish	dog	chef	guest	hair
chop	hot	chicken	guide	fair
	goat	brush	guitar	care
	shop	catch	guard	share

Here are some **fun and effective ideas** to help Year 2 children practise their spellings

Look, Cover, Write, Check – Look at the word, say it aloud, cover it, write it, and then check if it's correct. Repeat for tricky words.

Rainbow Writing – Write each word several times using different coloured pencils or pens.

Spelling Bingo – Write spelling words on bingo cards and call them out for your child to cross off

Spelling Snap – Write each word twice on cards and play a game of snap or memory matching

Typing Practice – Encourage typing their spellings on a computer or tablet — it helps with muscle memory and keyboard skills

Build It – Use magnetic letters, Scrabble tiles, or letter blocks to build each word.

Label the House – Stick labels on objects around the house with their correct spellings. Always a good one to put them on the snack drawer and they have to spell a word before they get a snack!

Story Writing – Encourage your child to write short stories or sentences using their spelling words.