



Welcome to Year 2

Mrs James, Mr Forrester, Mrs
Cooper and Mrs Copeland

Autumn Topics

- The Owl and the Pussy Cat/The Owl who is Afraid of the Dark
- Place Value/Addition and Subtraction/Multiplication
- Nature Art – Andy Goldsworthy
- Science - Living Things and their Habitats
- Geography – Mapping Skills
- History – The Great Fire of London
- Design and Technology – Mechanical Monsters
- Computing – Online Safety/Programming Routes

Religious Education

- The Old Testament – Noah, Abraham, Daniel, David, Jonah
- Class Prayer Sessions – Child-led
- Leading Key stage assemblies – Harvest, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Easter
- Christmas Play
- St Gabriel the Archangel Celebration Launch Mass – 29th September 2025

Homework

- Daily Reading (reading records updated at least 3 times per week)
- Weekly Homework - Wednesday to Wednesday
- Spellings - Wednesday to Wednesday

Key Stage 1 Assessment

- June - Maths, Reading, Writing and Science
- Teacher assessments
- Tests - May - very low-key, used as evidence, but not sole evidence
- Day-to-Day work used as evidence

What will be in the KS1 SATs papers for Year 2?

- The KS1 SATs papers are now optional but it has been decided that all of our current collegiate schools will be administering these. This may change when we join St Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Multi-Trust Academy.
- The papers will follow this format:
 - KS1 Maths SATs
 - Paper 1 is an arithmetic test which should take around 15 minutes. It will consist of 25 marks.
 - Paper 2 involves reasoning, problem solving and mathematical fluency. This paper has 35 marks available, will last for roughly 35 minutes, and contains a variety of question types.

English SATs

- KS1 English grammar, punctuation and spelling SATs:
- Paper 1 is a 20 word spelling test worth 20 marks which should take roughly 15 minutes.
- Paper 2 is a punctuation, grammar and vocabulary test. It comes in two sections of around 10 minutes each, and the paper is worth 20 marks.
- KS1 reading SATs:
- Paper 1 consists of a variety of texts totalling 400 to 700 words with questions placed at intervals throughout.
- Paper 2 consists of a reading booklet containing different passages. These will total 800 to 1100 words.
- Each paper for the KS1 reading SATs is worth 50% of the available marks and should take up to 30 minutes. The texts in the tests cover a wide range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry.

Trips:

- Ford Green Hall 2nd October 2025
- Pond Dipping – Autumn TBC
- Christmas Trip (Regent Theatre - The Nativity Musical) – 3rd December 2025
- Middleport Pottery – 19th January 2026
- Jodrell Bank – Summer 1 TBC
- Plus local walks