

Meeting the Teaching Team

Class 2

October 2025

Teaching Team

The staff working with Class 2 this year are:

Mrs Fearon and Mrs Green

Curriculum Overview

In **Class 2** we study these topics:

'Where In The World Are We?'

This is a geography based study that begins in Liverpool, then Australia, the poles and then finally the equator.

'Rule Britannia'

This is a history based topic that includes the study of The Great Fire Of London, our royal family and castles. We hope to include another trip to Clitheroe Castle at the end of this topic.

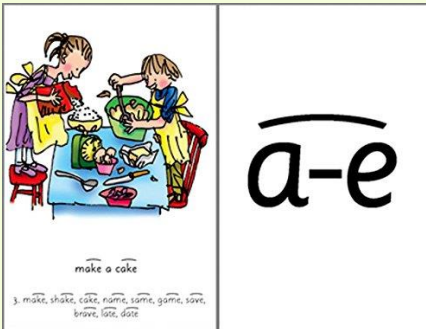
'Out Of This World'

This is a history based topic that includes the study of Neil Armstrong, the moon landing and Tim Peake.

To support your child's learning at home please encourage them to carry out their own research using books or the Internet. A more detailed outline of topic coverage will be posted on our class page of our website each term (www.thegrangeprimary.com).

Phonics - RWI

- Read Write Inc - includes rhymes and flashcards for each sound.
- The children complete daily phonics lessons to support their reading and writing skills.
- In Year One children take part in the phonics screening test which assesses the children's reading. Children may be practising some nonsense words to help them with their blending.



Reading

The children will bring home **three** different books.

- In our school, children read Read Write Inc. Storybooks that match the sounds they can read.
- Two new decodable reading books are sent home every week.
- In some cases, children may bring home phonics flash cards or worksheets instead.
- A book from the library which is of specific interest to the child will also be sent. This book will need to be read by an adult. Or an ORT book from our classroom library which will be in line with their decodable books.

The decodable books will be changed once a week in line with the school phonics programme.

Homework

For this academic year, the homework requirement will be as follows:

Reading

Every day (reading records should be signed by an adult)

Virtual Phonics Lesson

A link to a virtual lesson will be sent. This lesson will mirror their phonics lessons in school.

Common Exception Words (CEW)

In your child's Reading Record book there are Year 1 and Year 2 CEW, please help your child to read and spell these words.

From time to time teachers may set other homework tasks.

Reading, spelling and TT Rockstar homework is sent home so that children's learning can be consolidated at home. Sometimes when children are regularly not completing tasks at home teachers may choose complete these tasks with children during morning break time or lunchtime.

Attendance & Punctuality

- **Holidays should not be booked during term time**
- Arrival time for all classes is 8.35 a.m. children must be in class at 8.45 a.m. when the register is taken.
- Children can attend breakfast club from 8.00 a.m. in the hall. Breakfast items can be purchased from the counter.
- If your child is unable to attend school, due to illness, please telephone the school office.
- If you haven't contacted school our Home-School Liaison Officer will contact you.
- If your child has an appointment (medical or other) could you please send a letter or appointment card into school with the details.
- A variety of attendance awards are given to classes and individuals with the best attendance.

Uniform

- Please ensure your child is always dressed for school in the correct school uniform.
- Could you also ensure that all uniform and belongings are **labelled with your child's name**.
- Trainers are NOT allowed to be worn for school.
- Jewellery (apart from watches and small spherical stud earrings) may not be worn.
- Children with long hair should wear it tied back. Please avoid large brightly coloured bows and hair accessories.
- Please ensure haircuts are appropriate for school.
- Nail varnish should not be worn in school.
- Children should use our school book bags or bags of a similar size.
- Due to limited space, larger satchel / handbags style bags are not allowed.

P.E. and Water Bottles

- P.E. is on a Monday and Tuesday each week. Please ensure that your child has the correct kit in school (red t-shirt, black shorts/black jogging bottoms and black pumps/trainers).
- We expect the children to attempt dressing themselves for P.E. Please encourage your child to practise their dressing skills at home if this is something they find tricky. We will support the children with this in class. P.E. kits are sent home to be washed at the end of each half term.
- Please ensure your child brings a bottle of water into school every day labelled with their name.

Book Bags

Please ensure that you check your child's book bag **every day** as important letters or information may be found.

Fire Drill and Lockdown Procedures

- For health and safety reasons, every year we have a number of fire drills to ensure that our procedures are as efficient as they can be should the school ever have to deal with a real emergency situation
- A lockdown drill will take place during the year and all children will be informed in an assembly prior to the drill. This should help to ensure that no children become distressed during the exercise.

Relationships and Health Education

We now deliver Health and Relationships lessons using Discovery Education's Health and Relationships curriculum. The curriculum covers the statutory requirements for teaching primary Health Education and Relationships Education. It contains lessons for teaching all aspects of the guidelines and the non-statutory aspects of Primary Sex Education at an age appropriate level.

Parents have the right to request that their child be withdrawn from Sex Education lessons delivered as part of statutory Relationships and Health Education.

If you would like a copy of an overview of the curriculum for your child's year group, please contact the school office.

ParentPay

Payment for all school activities e.g. lunches, trips and visits etc. needs to be made using ParentPay.

We do not accept cash payments.
Please be sure to activate your ParentPay account (details from the school office)

Letters with a Permission Slip

Some letters are sent home with a permission slip attached that needs to be sent back to school. Please only send the permission slip back to school and **retain the important information on the letter for future reference.** This will help to avoid unnecessary telephone calls to the school office.

Website

- Please visit our school website regularly www.thegrangeprimary.com
- On you'll find lots more information about school.
- There are shortcut links to useful educational websites such as RWInc, Espresso Learning and Topmarks.
- Working on these websites, particularly with your support, will have a positive effect on your child's learning.

Newsletters

- A detailed weekly newsletter can be found on the school website every Friday. It contains all important information and details of upcoming events.
- Paper copies of the newsletter are available on request from the school office on Fridays.
- It is always best to consult the newsletter before telephoning school as it is likely to contain the information you need.

Communication

- If you need to speak to any member of the teaching team we can call you before or after school starts. Please either send your child with a note into class requesting a phone call or ring the school office who can arrange a telephone appointment for you.
- Please ensure the front office has your most current address and phone number.
- If you change your mobile number, let us know so that we are able to contact you by text message.

Trips

Our first trip to Liverpool was a great success. The children really enjoyed the day and benefited from a valuable learning experience which helped them to understand the many important buildings along the waterfront.

We will be booking another trip in the spring term to Clitheroe Castle and plan to also organise a trip in the summer term, if possible.

Finally

If you have any concerns or issues during this year, please speak with a member of the teaching team either at the start or the end of day to arrange a meeting. It can be either face to face or a telephone call at a mutually convenient time.

You can also email the school office at admin.grange@lydiatelearning.org and this will be forwarded to myself.

Many thanks for your support!