



# Start with Art!

## Welcome to Year Two!

We hope you all had a fun-filled and restful summer holiday. The children have come back to school full of excitement and stories, and it has been lovely for the Year 2 team to see familiar faces and meet some new ones! After spending some time getting to know their new teachers, the Year Two children have begun to get stuck in with our project this term - Start With Art!



This project will see the children focusing on developing skills across a range of media, such as drawing, painting, sculpture and more. They will also learn about various artists and their techniques, such as Frida Kahlo and Piet Mondrian as well as looking at various artists across different continents in Geography. We launched the project last Friday by exploring how colour can be manipulated and applied this in different painting styles.



We hope they are going to love the start to their new year group!

## Reading!



Children who read 3 times a week or more at home make the most progress in reading. This increases their confidence and we also see great progress in writing and maths. Children can make huge progress in reading as their phonic knowledge is consolidated and confidence rises. **Please read at least 4 times a week and record in reading diaries for 5 dojos :).**

### Spellings

- Week 2: old (old pattern)      Week 6: Mrs
- Week 3: because                      Week 7: Mr
- Week 4: ould pattern              Week 8: class
- Week 5: fast (ast pattern)

### Pick up at the end of the day

If possible, please keep to your classes' "zone" when waiting for your child at the end of the day. Robins parents stand to the left of the playground (as you face the Y2 door), Woodpeckers in the middle, and Owls parents nearest the school entrance gates.



## ★ English

★ This term we will be diving into the beautiful text 'The Magic Paintbrush',  
★ learning how to write creative stories as well as poems too. Our non-fiction unit  
★ will focus on the life of Frida Kahlo and her 'animalitos'. We will write reports  
★ about her artwork and Mexico...where she lived.

## ★ Maths

★ To get back into the swing of things children will be looking at identifying  
★ different 2D shapes and understanding the language of vertices and sides.  
★ Once their maths brains are warmed up again we will move onto the main focus  
★ of the term which is place value, understanding the value of tens and ones  
★ digits of numbers up to 100 and being able to tell their learning partner one  
★ less, one more, 10 less and 10 more from any given number.



## Project homework

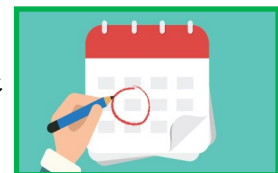


We are so excited to welcome the children back to our Start with Art project  
and would really like some hanging pieces to brighten up our corridors.  
Pieces maybe made from different materials you have around at home  
(paper Mache, fabric, cardboard etc). It can be anything from a colourful  
paintbrush or pallet to a glue stick or scissors. Please ensure a short  
piece of string is attached to your model so we can hang them up. :) We  
really can't wait to see your creations!



### Dates for your diary:

Friday 9th September: 9am Year 2 parent  
workshop (welcome to year 2)



Tuesday 13th September: TWILIGHT (no  
ladybirds)

Friday 23rd September: Robins parent assembly (2.15pm)

Tuesday 27th September: Individual school photographs

Friday 7th October: WPS parent assembly (2.15pm)

Wednesday 12th October: flu vaccinations

Thursday 13th October: Year 2 trip to Hastings  
Contemporary gallery

Friday 21st October: Owls parent assembly (2.15pm)

Monday 31st October: First day of Term 2