



"AS A FAMILY WE LIVE, LOVE, LEARN AND CELEBRATE WITH JESUS."

Welcome to Year 2

Teacher: Miss Parmley

Teaching Assistant: Mrs Scales

PPA Cover – Mrs Bass – Tuesday Afternoon's



About me...

- Teaching for 14 years
- Taught in 3 other schools teaching children in Reception to Year 3.
- I look after History , Geography and Mental health and wellbeing.
- I am from Welwyn Garden City and have 4 brothers and 1 sister.
- I love the colour Pink and Christmas!



Year 2 is important because...

Your child will learn:

- Key English and maths skills are learnt.
- Phonics skills are built upon and developed through spelling lessons.
- Develop independence.
 - Build upon skills learnt in previous years.
 - Lead roles in Nativity play.



Behaviour

As parents you have made a positive choice in sending your child to The Holy Family School. Our commitment is to promote excellent behaviour and behaviour for learning. For this to happen we ask that you are involved in your child's school life and are supportive of our school ethos and behaviour policy . Our behaviour policy is an inclusive and restorative policy. We listen to our children and in cases of poor behaviour allow them to find ways to rectify this.

Our behaviour policy can be found on our school website.

Our Home School Agreement can be found on our school website

Please ensure you read this document carefully. By choosing to send your child to our school you are agreeing to uphold the commitments in this agreement.



Attendance & punctuality

Good attendance at school is vital, particularly after the last 18 months of disrupted schooling and is directly linked to academic success.

- School gates open at 8:40 am and close promptly at 8:45am arrival after this should be via the school office. **Arrivals later than 9.15am will be marked as unauthorised absence.**

Illnesses

- Should your child be unable to attend school due to illness you must inform the school office by 9.30am. After this time the school office will phone to find out the reason for absence. If we are unable to make contact by 10.30am a member of the senior leadership team may make a home visit for safeguarding purposes.
- Leave of absence – holidays should not be taken during term time and cannot be authorised. In exceptional circumstances some absences may be authorized at the discretion of the head teacher.
- End of day -3.15pm – it is important that you arrive on time to collect your child. If you are later than 3.25pm your child will go to our after school care facility and you will be charged for the session.



Classroom routines

AM

Handwriting

Morning maths work

English and maths am

Guided reading after playtime,

Fruit/ snack break

PM

Meditation and Mastery in Number

R.E. / Foundation subjects

Afternoon playtime

Timetable - Example

GENERIC TIMETABLE												
	8.45-9.00	9:00-10	10- 10.15		10.30-11	11 - 11.55 a.m.			12.55-2 p.m.		2 -3 p.m.	3-3.15 p.m.
Mon	HANDWRITING ALWYN TO HEAR DAILY READERS.	9:00-9:20 GOSPEL ASSEMBLY	Maths	B R E A K	Guided Reading	English	L U N C H E A T I O N	M E N D I C A T I O N	12:55-1:05 Little Wandle 1:05- 1:20 Mastery in number	M	ART 2:30-3:00 MUSIC TAUGHT BY LC AND RP	CLASS STORY
Tues	HANDWRITING ALWYN TO HEAR DAILY READERS.	Maths	Mastery in Number		Guided Reading	English			12:55-1:05 Little Wandle 1:05-2:05 RE – SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT WORK		2:05-2:15 BREAK 2:15- 3:05 Science	ACT OF WORSHIP /Class story
Weds	HANDWRITING ALWYN TO HEAR DAILY READERS.	9:00-9:30 Maths HYMN PRACTICE 9:30-9:45AM	Finish off Maths and then - Mastery in Number		10:30-10:40 SNACK 10:40-11:00 Guided Reading 11:00-11:55 English				12:55-1:05 – Little Wandle 1:05-2:00 Computing		2:00-2:15 PLAYTIME 2:15-2:45 RE – Crosses around the <u>world</u> – Pakistani Cross	Handwriting/Class story
Thurs	HANDWRITING ALWYN TO HEAR DAILY READERS.	RE	Word assembly		10:30-10:40 – SNACK 10:40 - 11:00	MATHS			12:55-1:05 – Little Wandle Geography		English	Class story



Year 2 Curriculum

- **Autumn 1 - Geography - Would you prefer to live in a hot or cold place?**



- **Autumn 2 – How was school different in the past?**





Year 2 Curriculum

- **Spring 1 – History – How did we fly?**



- **Spring 2 – History – What is a Monarch?**





Year 2 Curriculum

- Summer 1 – Geography – Why is our world wonderful?



- Summer 2 – Geography – What is it like to live by the coast?





R.E. Curriculum

Topics this term :

Branch 1 – Creation and Covenant - God makes a covenant with Noah

**to save all living things. Understand the term ‘stewardship’.
The Sacrament of Baptism.**

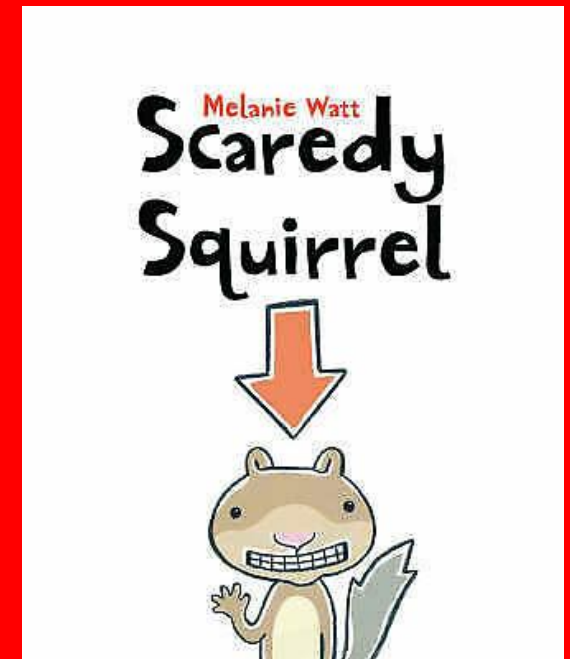
**Branch 2 – Prophecy and Promise – The Annunciation to Mary ,
Advent, The birth of John The Baptist , The birth of Jesus.**

Wednesday Word every week



How we Teach English/reading

- Guided reading
- Focus on sentences
- Writing a diary , letter, instructions
- Quality text





How we Teach Phonics/spelling

Grow the code grapheme chart										Phase 2, 3 and 5				
s ss sc ss st sc	t tt	p pp	n nn kn gn	m mm mb	d dd	g gg	c ck cc ck	r rr wr	h hh	b bb	f ff ph	l ll ll al	j jj dge ge	v vv ve
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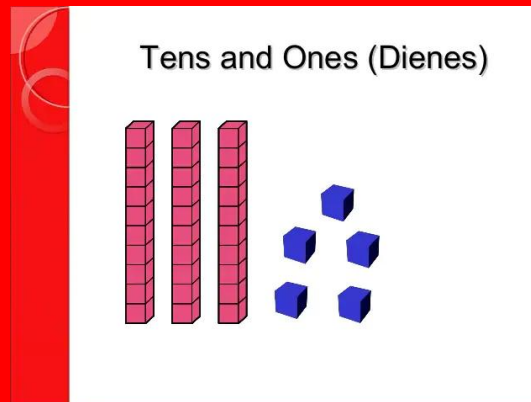
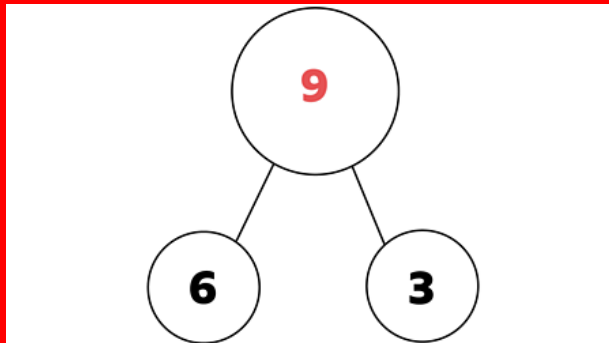
Little Wandle Spelling and Phonics - Revise Phase 5 phonemes

Phase 6 – Spelling rules for plural and adding suffix



How we Teach Maths

- Developing knowledge of number bonds and place value
- Maths fluency and Mastery sessions
- Use of practical resources
- Deeper understanding – making connections and seeing patterns.





How can you help your child?

- Daily reading
- Maths games
- Practice number bonds and times tables
- Real life writing opportunities.





Home learning Expectations

2	Daily Reading – 10-15 minutes (Parents to record on GoRead) Weekly spelling activity set on Google Classroom	Google Classroom – activity set by class teacher Times Tables Rock Stars – 10-15 minutes 3x per week	Share the weekly Wednesday word Gospel reading with your child. Complete the age appropriate activities.
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- If you or your child cannot login into Google Classroom or PurpleMash, you must report it to the school office in order to rectify the situation as we will not automatically know there is a problem.
- Failure to do so will prevent your child accessing all the platforms necessary to complete all the work set.



Mass and Class Masses

- We will hold masses throughout the year - parents are invited.
- We will begin this year by holding Mass in school on the 23rd September 2026.
- Year 2 will have a class Mass – parents are invited.
- We will communicate dates throughout the school year.



Sports/Outdoor learning

- PE and outdoor learning on a Friday.
- Wellies can be left in school.
- Raincoat if needed.
- Plain black jogging bottoms and black trainers.





Connecting...

Facebook - Holy Family page

Newsletters

Class page on website

Class email - year2@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk





Our class page...

Show parents where the page can be found and the information you share on it

<https://www.holyfamily.herts.sch.uk/year-2/>



Key Events In Year 2

- ***23rd September 2026- Welcome Mass @2pm.***
- ***23rd October 2026 – Harvest Mass – 09:15***
- ***24th November 2026 – Year 2 History Off the page – Victorian Schools workshop. More details to follow.***



Key Events In Year 2

9th December 2026– KS1 Nativity – 1:30.

Other important dates throughout the academic year will be on school newsletters or communicated to you via email.



Quick Reminders

- *Please ensure your child brings a named water bottle to school each day.*
- *Your child should have a red, Holy Family Reading folder/book bag with them each day.*

Any Questions?

