



Welcome to Key Stage 2

This pocket guides aims to introduce you to the teachers, curriculum and routines of Key Stage 2.

Who are the KS2 teachers?

Y3/4

Puffins: Mrs Gedge
Swans: Miss Smith
Goldfinch: Mrs Purse

Y5/6

Osprey: Ms Davies (Key Stage leader)
Falcon: Mr Howard

How is my child's learning organised?

All of your child's learning is organised around a creative curriculum. By introducing the new Dimensions scheme this year, we are able to offer a broad, balanced and creative curriculum which systematically builds skills in all areas. Your child will be learning about, exploring and digging deeper into a series of exciting and stimulating learning journeys (shown below). A copy of your child's current curriculum map will be shared with you at the beginning of each term.

CURRICULUM THEME CYCLE KEY STAGE 2 YEAR A			
	Year 3/4		Year 5/6
AUTUMN 1	Let's Walk the Timeline: It's all Greek to Me! <i>Ancient Greece</i> Place and Time	Order, Order! <i>Democracy, Rights and Responsibilities</i> Faith and Community	Abacadabra! <i>Materials - Properties and Behaviour</i> Science and Technology
AUTUMN 2	Pupil Voice Project Come and Join the Celebration	Festivals and Key Events <i>Expressive Arts</i>	Pupil Voice Project Come and Join the Celebration <i>Festivals and Key Events</i> Expressive Arts
SPRING 1	Out of the Box <i>Business Enterprise Healthy Food Project</i> Health and Wellbeing / Science and Technology		That's Life Episode 1 <i>Life and Living Things in the Environment</i> Science and Technology / Place and Time
SPRING 2	Let's Walk the Timeline: "Ug!" <i>Stone Age to Celts</i> Place and Time	Walk Like an Egyptian <i>Ancient Civilization</i> Place and Time	
SUMMER 1	Green Fingers <i>Plants</i> Science and Technology	May the Force be With You <i>Forces and Magnets</i> Science and Technology	A World of Cracking Ideas! <i>Inventions and Developments</i> Science and Technology / Place and Time
SUMMER 2	Three Giant Steps... <i>Locality, UK and Beyond</i> Place and Time	Spaced Out! <i>Earth and the Solar System</i> Science and Technology	Location, Location, Location <i>Our Locality</i> Place and Time

What are Learning Partners and how do they work?



At Lyneham Primary, we work with the children to develop growth mindsets so that they become confident in achieving their targets and are prepared to take risks with their learning. Your child will work with their learning partner to develop new skills and tackle new challenges. Each week learning partners are chosen at random: this will give your child the opportunity to work with different classmates.

Home Learning

Across KS2 home learning challenges are set on Friday and are due the following Wednesday. Home Learning is set to follow on from lessons in class or to support future learning. Home Learning is set across the year group and may include:

- Literacy — a chance to practise grammar skills
- Spelling— spelling activities &/or investigations
- Individual reading
- Mathematics— a chance to practise calculation & number skills
- Maths Passport
- Athletics
- A creative challenge linked to the curriculum focus



Please encourage and support your child to complete their home learning to the same high standard that is expected in class. Teachers provide three star challenges for Literacy and Maths tasks, enabling your child to choose a task that will stretch them and develop their thinking. Encourage your child to aim high!

Reading

Reading has a high focus across the whole school because it supports learning in all areas of the curriculum. We support children in their selection of texts to ensure they read a range of quality texts appropriate to their reading level.

Your child should read at least 3 times a week for a sustained period so that they build their reading stamina. Reading should be recorded in their Reading Record Book.





How can I communicate with my child's teacher?

We are fully committed to working with you to ensure your child is happy in school and makes good progress. We are always pleased to discuss your child's learning and well being. You can catch up with class teachers at the end of the day in the Upper School playground. Alternatively ring the school to arrange a meeting or write a note in their Reading Record Book.

Other opportunities to share in your child's learning:

- Celebration Assembly (10am Friday in the KS2 Hall)
- Parents' Evenings (Dates in the school diary)
- Values Evenings (Learning with the whole family)
- School Newsletters



Help in the classroom

We are most appreciative of any help you are able to offer. Please let class teachers know if you would be willing to offer support in school!

PPA afternoons

On Thursday afternoons, all teachers in KS2 are released to do PPA (planning, preparation and assessment). Over the year, your child will have the opportunity to take part in a range of enrichment lessons including PE, Dance, Swimming, Music and French.

KS2 PPA	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Y3/4 Puffin	Swimming	French Music	Swimming	Dance	Music French	Sports Coaching
Y3/4 Swan	Swimming	Swimming	Music French	French Music	Dance	Sports Coaching
Y3/4 Goldfinch	Dance	Swimming	Swimming	Music French	French Music	Sports Coaching
Y5/6 Osprey	Music French	Dance	French Music	Swimming	Swimming	Sports Coaching Dance (Y6)
Y5/6 Falcon	French Music	Music French	Dance	Swimming	Swimming	Sports Coaching Dance (Y6)



A Pocket Guide to Key Stage 2

This year we will use the 4Es to get better at our learning.

Engage with your learning.

Get involved!

Expect to achieve.

Aim high!

Excel. Be precise.

Be better than your best!

Enjoy your learning.

Be curious.

