



YEAR 2 NEWSLETTER

Summer term 2026



Staff

Mrs Livesey - Class Teacher

Mrs Hemmings - Teaching Assistant

Wednesday afternoon

Mr Johns PPA Cover - PE and Computing

Wonderful Reading Volunteers!

Mrs Honnor - Wednesday morning

Mrs Garry - Friday morning

Welcome to summer term! My name is Mrs Livesey and it's my very first term teaching at Grimsargh St Michael's. The staff and year 2 children have given me a warm welcome and I am very excited to be teaching your children for their final term in year 2! As I am new, I thought I would share a little bit about myself. I have been teaching for 18 years and have a wealth of experience teaching all year groups from years 1 to year 6. I have also spent 11 years on the senior leadership team at my previous school so I do carry a varied amount of experience that I can bring to year 2. Please can I ask that you bear with me for the first week or two until I get to know your children the school routines and procedures. Please take a look at the newsletter in detail and share any key information or updates with your child.

READING

Reading will always be of great importance in all learning and I am so passionate about sending children into KS2 with the ability to read fluently. In class we are constantly reading whether it is TRIC (teacher reading in class), guided reading, English lessons or 1:1 reading with an adult. We talk to the children often about reading at home to help with their fluency, understanding of a text and to simply escape into a good book! they will either be continuing on their fully-decodable phonics books or becoming fluent readers and moving through the reading stages. **Progress can only be achieved with your support at home.** This term the children will also bring home library books. Please ensure you are reading with your child **each night** and writing this in their diaries. If staff can't see that they are reading at home, we will be hesitant to change their book.

HOME LEARNING

Mathletics

Mathletics will be set weekly, each Friday. This either links to the learning set in class or a recap from previous learning. Please help support your children by making this a part of your home routine and ensure children have a small whiteboard or piece of paper available to help with jottings.

Spellings

In Year 2 we follow the Red Rose Year 2 Spelling which follows on from the RRLS Phonics in Reception and Year 1. We do not have a weekly spelling quiz as research backs this does not support the retention of spelling. Instead, a weekly 'round-up' of what we have been learning will be sent via email so please use this weekly to support your child's learning.

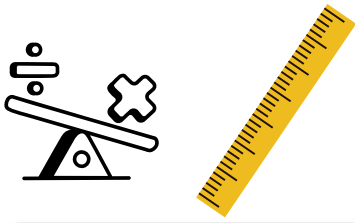


Important!

As a school, we do not set large amounts of homework. Our expectation is that weekly 1000 points on Mathletics, daily reading and spelling practice is completed to support your child's progress. I check the children's diaries weekly during guided reading and your full support really does make the world of difference.

PE days

Monday and Wednesday
Please make sure PE kits are in school each week.



MATHS

Mass, capacity and temperature

Fractions

Time

Statistics

Position and direction



MUSIC

Instruments: Musical Storytelling

Structure: Myths and Legends



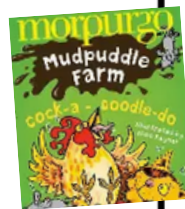
PE

Dance for the garden party

Games: Striking and Fielding

Fundamental Skills

Assessment



SPELLINGS

Summer 1

Suffixes - ful and -less

Endings - ing, -ed, -er, -est

possessive apostrophe

Summer 2

Suffixes

Endings

Review of core suffixes

Review of contacted forms



ENGLISH

Aladdin

Narrative

Non-Fiction (variety)



LEARNING



ENGLISH

Muddle Puddle Farm

Innovated narrative
with a farm setting.

Persuasive writing

Riddles

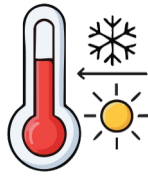
HISTORY

Local History Study

Farming in Grimsargh

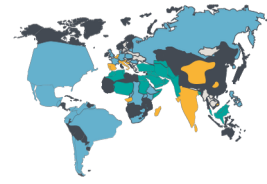


The children will find out all about what farming is like in their local community. They will explore how farming and agriculture in Grimsargh has changed throughout history. We may even have a visit from a local farmer so we can compare both past and present ways of farming.



GEOGRAPHY

Hot and Cold Places



We will be doing a comparison study of Mumgurameno village in Zambia. We will be initially locating Zambia and finding out its key human and physical features. We will then locate the village of Mumgurameno and explore what it is like living near a river, living with animals, how food is prepared in the village and whether the village is safe. We will then learn about how children help out with chores and enjoy singing, dancing and playing.

SCIENCE

Plants bulbs and seeds.
Growing up lifecycles
Sustainability (wildlife)



LEARNING



RE

Why is the church a special place for Christians?
What happened at the Ascension and Pentacost.



COMPUTING

Creating Pictures
Presenting ideas
Online safety:
Copyright and ownership
Assessment and review



ART

Sculpture and 3-D clay
tiles

Link Artist:
Diego Rivera

PSHE

Being my best
Growing and Changing

D&T

Mechanisms: Making a moving monster



We are always looking for anyone to support our learning. If you have a keen interest or experience in any of our future areas of learning, please let me know and I can incorporate a visit or any information you may have.

Please keep your eye on social media platforms, school website and Seesaw for information and photos that support and showcase the learning across school.



SOCIAL MEDIA



'grimsarghstmichaels'
on Instagram

'Grimsargh St Michael's C ofE
Primary School' on Facebook.

Uniform

As a school we are constantly ensuring high standards across school life. One of the areas that we are keen to focus on is school uniform. It is really important for children to wear the correct uniform; especially school shoes **not trainers** and **no earrings**. Please ensure PE tracksuit trousers are navy blue.

Please see our website for more details: <https://www.grimsargh-st-michaels.lancs.sch.uk/policies/>



Summer Term Dates

April

Friday 17th - PTFA Book Sale
Thursday 23rd - St George's Day - Wear Red and White
Monday 27th - Extra-Curricular Clubs start
Thursday 30th - KS1 Disco - 4:45pm - 5:45pm

May

Monday 4th - Bank Holiday Monday (No School)
Thursday 14th & Friday 15th - Life Education
Tuesday 19th - Finish school for half term
Sunday 24th - Pentecost . 9.30am - School Pentecost service at St Michael's Church - families welcome.

June

Tuesday 2nd June - Class photos
Monday 8th June (Phonics Screening Week resist)
Friday 26th June - Sports Day races whole school.

July

Friday 3rd July - Clubs finish
Monday 13th July - Reception and KS1 end of year worship
Friday 17th July - School closes at 1:30pm

Please check the school newsletter for whole school diary dates.

Teachers2Parent s will be used as our main communication tool. Please see below regarding communication to teaching staff.

If you wish to make contact with the staff in school please see Mr Booth's most recent communication regarding contacting staff. I will communicate weekly via T2P on a Thursday or Friday and this will include a home learning overview for you to look through with your child. If you do have anything you would like to discuss with me, please email or call the school office and they can forward your email or pass your message onto me. I will get back to you as soon as possible but please be mindful I will be in class with your children so this may be the end of the day. **We cannot discuss matters at the beginning of the day at the infant door as our main priority is making sure the children are welcomed, happy and safe.** Thank you for your understanding with this