

Welcome to LKS2



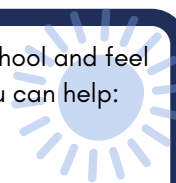
Welcome back to school! We hope everyone had a relaxing holiday and is ready for an exciting term ahead. Here's all you need to know about Lower Key Stage Two in the autumn term!

Meet the Team

Mrs Durrani – LKS2 Team Leader and Y3 Teacher
Miss Lane – Y3 Teacher
Mrs Nicholls – Y3 Teacher
Mrs McGee – Teaching Assistant
Mrs Clennett – Teaching Assistant
Mrs Docherty/Mrs Gabriele – Y4 Teachers
Miss Robinson – Y4 Teacher
Mrs Wyer – Y4 Teacher
Mrs Conway – Teaching Assistant

We want every child to enjoy coming to school and feel ready to learn each day. Here's how you can help:

Plenty of sleep
A healthy breakfast and water
Encouraging independence and curiosity
Supporting them to join in, ask questions, and take risks in their learning



Learning Platforms

Your child will soon be bringing home login details for several learning platforms: Seesaw, MyMaths, EdShed, Epic, and Reading Plus.

Some of these platforms are used to support home learning, while others are mainly for use during the school day.

Seesaw is a fantastic way for you to follow your child's learning journey. Please note that any activities shared on Seesaw are for use during school hours only and are not intended as homework.

EdShed  epic! Seesaw



Autumn Curriculum Highlights

This term, Year 3 and 4 will be exploring a range of exciting topics and activities, including:

Exploring Anthony Browne books
Researching and writing curious creature fact files
Discovering the Stone Age in History
Studying our local area in Geography
Learning about forces and magnets in Science
Exploring skeletons, muscles, and diets
Creating art inspired by Georgia O'Keeffe
Sewing festive stockings in DT to get ready for Christmas

Writing about villains through police reports and speeches
Investigating sound and electricity in Science
Exploring the clash between Anglo-Saxons and Vikings in History
Studying settlers in Geography
Creating art inspired by Andy Warhol and pop art
Designing and making moving Christmas cards with mechanisms in DT

Reading

Reading is a key part of your child's learning in Year 3 and 4, and we are keen to support good reading habits both in school and at home.

What do we expect?

We ask that children read at least 3 times a week with an adult at home. This can include school reading books or any books your child enjoys. Each time, please sign or write a short comment in your child's reading record. These will be checked by teachers every Friday.

Sharing a love of reading

All reading counts and helps to build confidence and enjoyment.

P.E

Children will take part in PE lessons twice a week. You will be updated half-termly with the specific days so your child can come to school in their PE kit on the correct days.

In addition to PE, children also enjoy regular opportunities to be active throughout the week, including the Daily Mile, active challenges, and movement breaks that support both physical health and learning.

AT THE

pool

All children in Year 3 and Year 4 will have the opportunity to go swimming this year at Ingleby Leisure.

We will send a detailed letter when it is your child's class's turn to go.

This will include the dates and information about what to pack in their swimming bag.

Forest School

All children will take part in regular Forest School sessions this year, enjoying hands-on learning in the great outdoors!

Activities may include:

Den building, Bug hunting, Mud kitchen play, Nature crafts, Fire lighting and cooking

You'll receive a message on Marvellous Me from your child's class teacher with the dates and all the information about what your child will need to wear and bring for their sessions.

Y4 Residential

This year, our Year 4 children will have the exciting opportunity to attend their first school residential at PGL, Newby Wiske.

 Dates: Wednesday 6th May - Friday 8th May

Information, details, and parent meetings will be taking place very soon.

Please keep an eye on ParentMail for updates and important information.

Y4 Multiplication Check

All Year 4 children will take part in the Multiplication Tables Check during the two-week period from Monday 1st June 2026.

This is a short, online assessment to check how confidently children can recall their times tables up to 12×12 . We'll be practising regularly in school, and you can help at home by encouraging quick recall in a fun and positive way.



This term, Year 3 will be enjoying Danny the Champion of the World and The Christmasaurus as their class readers.



Year 4 will be reading Charlotte's Web and The Night I Met Father Christmas.

If your child has a copy at home, they are welcome to bring it in to follow along with the reading in class.



Autumn Dates for your Diary!

29.9.25 - 10.10.25 Y4 Miss Robinson Swimming

13.10.25 - 24.10.25 Y4 Mrs Docherty/Miss Gabriele Swimming
(Swimming for Mrs Wye's Class in January)

21.10.25 LKS2 Halloween Disco 4.30pm-5.30pm

29.11.25 PTA Christmas Fayre 3.30pm-6.30pm

1.12.25 Christmas Jumper Day

2.12.25 Reindeer Run

9.12.25 Y4 Christmas Performance 5pm

10.12.25 Y4 Christmas Performance 9.30am

17.12.25 Y3 Peter Pan Pantomime @ Billingham Forum

18.12.25 Crazy Christmas Day



HOME LEARNING

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Home learning will be set each Friday and is due in the following Thursday.

READING

- Read aloud x3 per week at home with an adult.
- Please comment in your child's Reading Record each time they read.
- Y4 only - Complete your assignments on Reading Plus.



MATHS

- Log into My Maths and find your task for the week. There are support videos if you need them.
- Practise your times tables for a test on a Thursday. Weekly focus can be found in reading records.



SPELLING

- Learn your spellings for a weekly test each Thursday.
- You can practise these on Spelling Shed. Lists can be found in your child's reading record.



OTHER

Don't forget that you can also access:

- Maths Shed
- NumBots (Y3)
- Top Marks
- Maths Frame



THANK YOU!

We really appreciate your continued support as we work together to make this a wonderful year for your child. Remember, we have an open door policy - please feel free to contact your child's class teacher or the team leader anytime if you have questions, concerns, or simply want to find out more.