



*Be the best that you can be*

Galliard Primary  
School

Year 2 Newsletter  
Autumn Term

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# Meet the team!

Assistant Headteacher  
Miss Begum

Year 2

2A Miss Akinci

2Mc Ms McInerny, Ms Kennedy

2M Miss Monani, Ms Abdi

HLTA's

Mrs Altinok

Mrs Sarno

Mrs Chang

Rainbow Class

Mrs Prendagarst

Mrs Panayi



# Year 2 Curriculum

**Reading:** Reading Programme - Vocabulary, Fluency, Comprehension & Misconceptions

**English:** Narrative, Informal letters and Character Descriptions, Non-chronological reports, Setting Descriptions and Diary entries based on core texts: Gregory Cool by Caroline Binch, Mary Seacole Biography, Lila and the Secret of Rain by David Conway & Jude Daly.

**Maths:** Place Value (numbers to 100), Addition and Subtraction

**Science:** Materials and their properties, Animals including Humans

**History:** Significant Individuals – Mary Seacole & Florence Nightingale

**Geography:** Similarities and differences between Jamaica and the UK

**Art:** Using paint and clay to sculpture a 'Pumpkin' inspired by Yayoi Kusama

**D&T:** Mechanisms, wheels, axels and chassis

**R.E:** Christianity, Judaism and Islam

**Music:** Pulse and Voice

**PSHE:** Families & Friendships

**Computing:** E-safety and the impacts of information technology

**Talk Time:** A weekly activity that encourages the children to discuss, explain, agree, disagree and question topical issues

**TRIPS: TO BE CONFIRMED**

## Homework

**MyMaths:** Weekly Maths homework uploaded on MyMaths

**Daily Reading:** Children will be provided with two scheme RWI books and one Reading Journey book to take home. It is important that children bring their scheme reading book to school every day!



# Read, Read, Read!



At Galliard, we believe that reading is the key to unlocking a world of imagination, knowledge, and confidence. Through stories, children can travel to new places, meet exciting characters, and learn new ideas. In Key Stage 1, we aim to nurture a love of reading by sharing books together every day, encouraging curiosity, and celebrating each child's progress. We know that strong reading skills not only support learning across all subjects but also help children to develop creativity and a lifelong enjoyment of books.

To give our pupils the very best start, we have committed to a strong phonics programme: **Read Write Inc.** This structured approach helps children build the skills they need to decode words, grow their vocabulary, and become fluent, confident readers.

We expect **most children to reach Blue level by the time they are in Year 2.** In order to progress onto **Grey**, we expect children to read **fluently**—this means reading with accuracy, appropriate pace, and expression, while understanding what they read. **The only way to get better at fluency is to keep reading.**

We understand that parents and carers have busy lives, but we strongly encourage you to read with your child every day. Just ten minutes of sharing a book together can make a real difference to their confidence, progress, and enjoyment of reading.



# P.E at Galliard



Please ensure your child comes to school in their full PE kit on P.E. days. The school PE kit includes:

- Navy shorts, joggers, or leggings
- House t-shirt (Bedford Blue, Richmond Red, Grosvenor Green, or York Yellow)
- Comfortable trainers

For safety and ease, please make sure your child can put on and take off their trainers independently, and can fasten them securely. While we advise that children do not wear earrings to school on PE days, if they do, we recommend studs. These can be securely taped during PE lessons to avoid injury.

Class	Days
2A	Monday, Tuesday
2MC	Monday, Tuesday
2M	Monday, Tuesday



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

# Dates for your diary (so far)

## OCT 2025

15

Parents Evening 3:40 – 7:30

16

Parents Evening 3:40 – 5:30

17

JUST ONE Tree day! £1 plants a tree. Wear green!

24

Last day of this half term. School day ends at 3:20pm

## DEC 2025

9

Year 1& 2 Disco

19

End of term. School day ends at 2pm

## JAN 2026

6

Return to school

