

WELCOME TO SPARROWS AND JAYS CLASSES 2026-2027

- Miss Ashwood
- Mr Walker
- Miss Abela LSA
- Mrs Jones LSA
- Mrs Parr LSA
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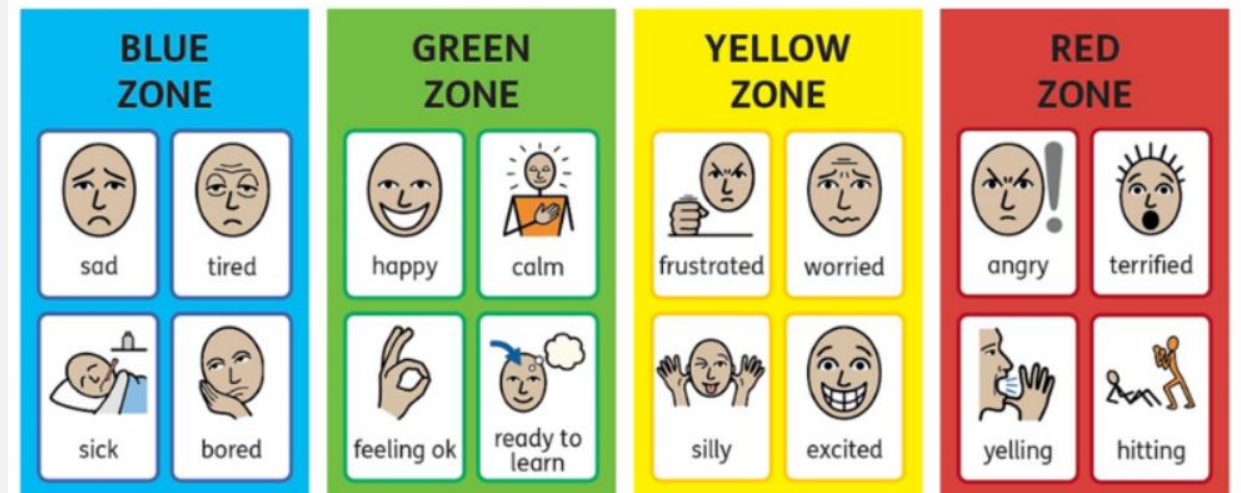
GENERAL INFORMATION

- Reading books will be updated every Friday. Please ensure these are returned on time so books can be swapped with ease. Return day is Friday please.
- Forest School is every other Tuesday starting with Jays.
- PE Days are Mondays and Thursdays.
- A reminder that children are to wear PE kit on Forest School days with their school jumper or cardigan (no black hoodies).

OUR SCHOOL RULES



We would love your support to encourage good learning behaviours.



OUR SCHOOL VALUES



"Love is patient,
love is kind. It does
not envy, it does
not boast, it is not
proud."



1 CORINTHIANS 13:4



"Be kind and
compassionate to one
another, forgiving each
other, just as in Christ
God forgave you."



EPHESIANS 4:32



"As it is, there are
many parts, but
one body."



1 CORINTHIANS 12:20

WHAT LEARNING HAPPENS IN YEAR 2?

Responsibility

Resilience

Independence

Our Topics

Term 1: Where in the world?

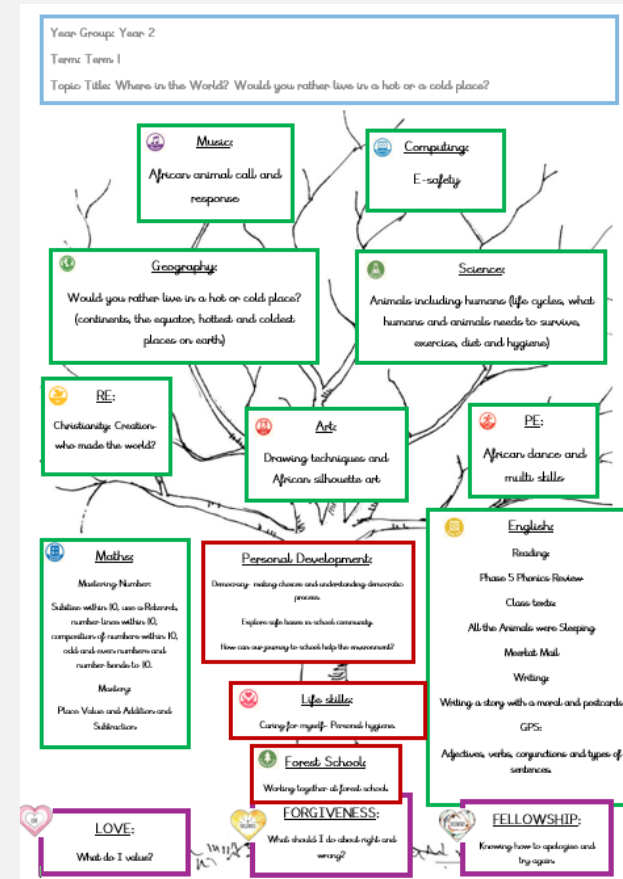
Term 2: Zoom to the moon!

Term 3: London's Burning

Term 4: Our wonderful world!

Term 5: Beside the Seaside

Term 6: Roar!



No jewellery.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please name
all uniform.

(Optional) Active Uniform for Years R, 1 and 2:

**** Please note: Children are able to wear our traditional school uniform if they wish to.**

- Maroon sweatshirt / cardigan with Harrietsham emblem.
- Plain / Harrietsham emblem (optional) white polo shirt.
- Plain black leggings or jogging bottoms (unbranded) / sports shorts for the summer.
- Plain black trainers / plimsoles / suitable shoes every day (no boots, please).
- White, black or grey socks.
- Book Bag (Harrietsham emblem optional – no ruck-sacks, please).
- PE Kit (Please note: If Active Uniform is worn, no other items of separate PE kit are needed, except):
 - House coloured PE T-Shirt for PE days.
 - Children should wear their Maroon sweatshirt / cardigan for PE.

Bookbags only-
sorry we don't
have room for
backpacks.

No items
from home.
The school
will provide
a learning
tool if
needed.



HOME LEARNING

- Daily Reading practice (5 – 10 minutes).
- Daily Numbots practice (Little and Often).
- Weekly Spelling Rule practice (Spelling Shed).
- Weekly Letter Formation practice.
- Termly Topic Tasks Menu (optional).

Topic homework menu!

Here are some suggested homework activities that are encouraged to support children with their learning. Children can complete work and add to their homework books.

Arts

Go on a texture hunt around your home or garden. Find three different objects with interesting textures, such as a leaf, pine cone, toy, piece of fabric, shoe or wooden spoon. Choose your favourite object and draw it as carefully as you can.



Computing

Can you become an IT Detective? Look around your home and find five pieces of Information Technology (IT). These could include:

- A tablet
- A laptop
- A smart TV
- A games console
- A smartphone
- A smart speaker

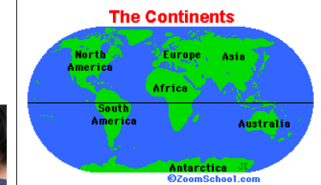
Draw or write the name of each piece of IT and explain what it is used for.



Geography

Choose one continent to research with an adult. Write or draw:

- What is the name of your continent?
- Name one animal that lives there.
- Name one famous landmark or natural feature.
- What is the weather usually like?



Homework Term 1 Week 2

Spelling

Spelling Shed 

Please continue to practice spelling words and prickly spellings on spelling shed and practice year 1 or 2 common exception words on the page below.

Spellings

bright	show	straight	alone
please	great	family	time

Tricky words

people	eye	whole
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Handwriting

This week the children have...

Maths

This week we have counted and written numbers to 20, counted to 100, identified tens and ones, used a place value chart and partitioned numbers to 100, e.g. 63 can be partitioned into 6 tens and 3 ones.



Continue to use Numbots or Times Tables Rock Stars (same login as Numbots) to practise their number knowledge or times tables (2s, 5s and 10s).

Reading

Please listen to your child read their little wandle phonics book every day for 5-10 minutes.

You can also listen to your child read their library book |

PSHE

Can you create a poster about good hygiene? For example, brushing our teeth two times a day, washing our hands etc.



RE

In RE, we have been learning about the Creation story and how some Christians believe God created the world. Go on a Creation Walk with a grown-up. This could be in your garden, a park, or on your way to school. Look carefully at the world around you. Draw or write about:

- One plant or tree you saw.
- One animal, bird, or insect you found.
- Something you noticed in the sky.
- One thing that made you say, "Wow!"



Science

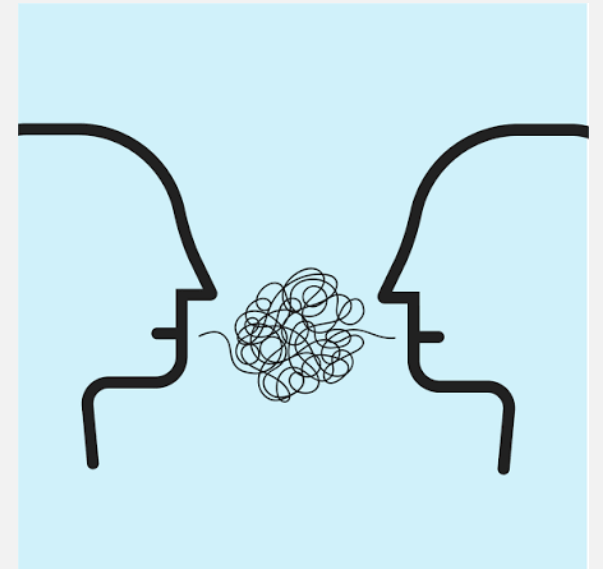
Can you find out about an animal? Choose your favourite animal (or one you have seen at home, in a park, or at a zoo). Draw a picture of your animal and answer these questions:

- What is the name of your animal?
- What does it eat? (Carnivore, herbivore, or omnivore?)
- Where does it live?
- How does it move?
- Can you name one interesting fact about your animal?



COMMUNICATIONS

- Allow 2 working days for a response if you are messaging us please- dojo for now, the whole school will be moving onto Tapestry.
- If you need to let us know something immediately, please contact the office so the can let us know.
- Open door- please let us know if you have an questions, concerns or successes at the end of the day.
 - Tier 1- teacher or office
 - Tier 2- Inclusion, pastoral, phase lead (Mr Walker)
 - Tier 3- Deputy (Mrs Fenner)
 - Tier 4- Head Teacher (Mrs Chambers)
 - Tier 5- Chair of Governors





TAPESTRY

- Please make sure you still have the tapestry app. Let us know if you need help.
- Learning- we will be taking photos of some of the children's learning and uploading it to Tapestry. For example, computing, PSHE and music.
- First aid- first aiders will soon be completing digital first aid forms which will be uploaded to Tapestry. You will be able to see the form on the app.

READING & PHONICS

We're teaching every child to read with Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised
A complete SSP validated by the Department for Education



- We will begin teaching a phonics Phase 5 review during Term 1 before moving on to bridge to spelling.
- Little Wandle reading books will be sent home every Friday. If we think your child is ready, they will then choose an accelerated reader book at a level we have assessed them at. They will then complete a quiz before choosing a new book.
- Please encourage reading of non-school books at home too.
- Children will also have the opportunity to choose a library book in our library session when it is completed, which they may choose to read during our DEAR reading sessions.
- Children who did not pass their phonics screen will re- take it at the end of year 2.

ATTENDANCE

- Attendance is vital for children to make good progress in learning. One day really does have an impact!
- If your child has a little cold, please still send them in.
- Please call the office if your child is absent before 9am.
- The school is unable to authorise any holidays during term time.
- Please book appointment outside of school times where possible e.g. dentist.
- Please make sure your child is in on time- explore and discover time & keep up, catch up with the teacher.



DATES FOR FAMILIES

Please check
for upcoming
dates!

Dates for Families 2026-2027

Term 1

Thursday 3rd September 2026 – Friday 23rd October 2026

TERM STARTS: Thursday 3rd September

Tuesday 1st September and Wednesday 2nd September - INSET Days – School Closed to all children)

September:	
Thursday 3 rd September:	EYFS Cohort - (8:50am – 12pm)
Friday 4 th September:	EYFS Cohort - (8:50am – 1pm)
Monday 7 th September:	Clubs start this week and run until last day of term EYFS Cohort – Full Days Year 1 & Year 2 Parent Information Evening 3:30pm – 4:30pm Y1: Miss Robert's Classroom Y2: Mr Walker's Classroom
Tuesday 8 th September:	Year 5 & Year 6 Parent Information Evening 3:30pm – 4:30pm Y5: Mrs Frost's Classroom Y6: Ms Pittam's Classroom
Wednesday 9 th September:	Year 3 & Year 4 Parent Information Evening 3:30pm – 4:30pm Y3: Miss Thorne's Classroom Y4: Ms Kelly's Classroom
Thursday 10 th September:	Kent Test for Year 6 Prayer Group Meeting 1: 2:45 – 3:15pm (DHT office – all families welcome) EYFS Parent Information Evening 3:30pm – 4:30pm EYFS: Mrs Smith's Classroom
October: Black History Month	
Thursday 1 st October:	Autumn Census Day (All infants to have a school dinner unless otherwise notified)
Friday 2 nd October:	Individual Child Photos Harvest Festival: Donations collected for Harrietsham Food Bank
Sunday 4 th October:	9:30am – Church Harvest Service
Friday 16 th October:	Classroom Open Afternoon 2:45pm – 3:15pm (All families invited to attend)
Tuesday 20 th October:	Year 6 Class Worship – 2:45pm (Y6 families invited to watch)

TERM ENDS: Friday 23rd October 2026

Term 2

Monday 2nd November 2026 – Friday 18th December 2026

TERM STARTS: Monday 2nd November 2026

November:	
Monday 2 nd November:	Clubs start this week and run until last day of term
Wednesday 4 th November:	Year 3 Swimming
Thursday 5 th November:	Prayer Group Meeting 2: 2:45 – 3:15pm (DHT office - all families welcome)
Friday 6 th November:	Year 6 – Cathedral Schools Day
Wednesday 11 th November:	Remembrance Day (Children belonging to Guides / Brownies / Cubs / Scouts / Beavers etc to come in uniforms for silence) Year 3 Swimming
Monday 16 th November:	Antibullying Week (Children may wear odd socks to school) New EYFS Cohort 27/28 Parent Tours 9:30am
Wednesday 18 th November:	New EYFS Cohort 27/28 Parent Tours 9:30am Year 3 Swimming Parents Evening – Early Slots
Thursday 19 th November:	New EYFS Cohort 27/28 Parent Tours 9:30am Parents Evening – Late Slots
Friday 20 th November:	Children in Need
Tuesday 24 th November:	New EYFS Cohort 27/28 Parent Tours 9:30am
Wednesday 25 th November:	Year 3 Swimming
Thursday 26 th November:	New EYFS Cohort 27/28 Parent Tours 9:30am
Friday 27 th November:	New EYFS Cohort 27/28 Parent Tours 9:30am
Monday 30 th November:	New EYFS Cohort 27/28 Parent Tours 9:30am
December:	
Tuesday 1 st December:	Year 5 Class Worship – 2:45pm (Y5 families invited to watch)
Wednesday 2 nd December:	New EYFS Cohort 27/28 Parent Tours 9:30am Year 3 Swimming
Thursday 3 rd December:	New EYFS Cohort 27/28 Parent Tours 9:30am New EYFS Cohort Open Evening 5pm – 7pm
Friday 4 th December:	Non-Uniform Day in return for bottles / chocolate for Christmas Fayre Tombola
WB Monday 7 th December and Monday 14 th December:	SEN Review Weeks (Inclusive of This is Me Reviews – Parents will be invited for meetings by Class Teachers)
Wednesday 9 th December:	Year 3 Swimming EYFS Christmas Show Songs (YR families invited to watch)
Thursday 10 th December:	Christmas Jumper Day (Children can wear Christmas Jumpers) Year 5 Singing at Care Home
Friday 11 th December:	Christmas Fayre after school
Tuesday 15 th December:	Year 1 Nativity 2pm (Y1 families welcome to attend to watch)
Wednesday 16 th December:	Year 3 Swimming Interim Reports Home

SCHOOL TRIPS

- Visit to a place of worship- Maidstone Mosque
 - Dymchurch Beach
 - Local visit- Maidstone Museum
- Big Summer Dance at Lenham Primary School



THANK YOU 😊