



Year 2 Newsletter

Our newsletter is sent out fortnightly to keep you up to date.

Friday 12th June

English

In our recent English lessons, Year 2 have been exploring how to write clear and effective instructions. We have been learning about the important features that make instructions easy to follow, such as using bossy (imperative) verbs, organising ideas in the correct order, and including time connectives like *first*, *next*, *then* and *finally* to guide the reader step by step. The children have enjoyed analysing examples and practising these skills together. Next week, they will be applying everything they have learned to write their own set of instructions, and we are looking forward to seeing their creativity and growing confidence in their writing.

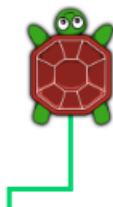
Art

In our recent Art lessons, Year 2 have been exploring our exciting topic of animals. The children have been developing their drawing skills by learning and following a clear step-by-step method to create their own animal artwork. They have been focusing on shape, proportion, and adding detail to bring their drawings to life. The class has shown great enthusiasm and creativity, and it has been wonderful to see their confidence grow as they practise and refine their work. We are very proud of their efforts and look forward to seeing their continued progress.

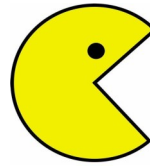


Computing

This half term we have been developing our computational thinking skills using 2Logo on Purple Mash. By applying our knowledge of position and direction, we have begun to control the on screen turtle to draw shapes, patterns and even letters!



Maths



In maths lessons last week we revisited geometry and we started by focussing on movement. We also developed our understanding of shape by looking at right angles with the help of Pac Man. We hunted for right angles around the classrooms and even outdoors—they really are all over! This week we have been revisiting measures, learning how to measure length in metres as well as to the nearest half-centimetre. Here is a game you might like to try at home: [Measuring in Centimetres](#)

KS1 Skipping Festival

Last Friday, our team of Year 2 children went to the Lakeside Centre for a Skipping Festival. With lots of individual and team challenges as well as many chances to demonstrate our amazing skipping skills, everybody tried their very best and represented Southridge beautifully. With lots of Bronze and Silver certificates awarded to our children, we were very proud when the results were announced. Well done everyone!



Important Dates

Monday 15th June: Sports Day @ 2pm

Tuesday 23rd June: Visit to Gibside

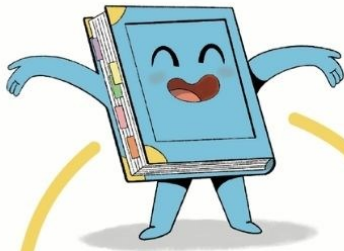
(please see Mrs Dunn or Mr Price if you are available to help)

Tuesday 30th June—Informal Year 3 Drop-In

Wednesday 21st July—Year 3 Transition Day

Friday 3rd July—Summer Fair

Proud to make a positive impact.



Your child (age 4–11) can join the Summer Reading Challenge this summer. It's fun, free and helps keep up reading skills over the holidays!

🏆 Their goal is to read 6 books

📖 Read whatever they like – books, eBooks, audiobooks

🎉 Earn stickers, a certificate & even a medal

Available in libraries or online:

summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

Join at any North Tyneside library from Saturday 12 July
It's a great way to boost confidence and make reading fun!

For further information about or FREE events and activities over the summer check out

<https://bookwhen.com/ntclibraries>

