Homework
Pupils will have bug club, banded books, guided reading and family reading throughout the week. They will be learning key words continuously as required and later on in the year we will learn spellings.
There is written homework Monday and Wednesday night for literacy and numeracy.
Details of the above and important information will be included in the weekly homework grid.

ICT
Your child will have access to iPads, cameras, computers and interactive whiteboards to support their learning throughout the year.

Topic work in Year 2
In school we study the World Around Us (WAU) in each year group. Pupils in Year 2 will develop their WAU scientific, geographical and historical knowledge in 5 topics areas during the year, namely: Healthy Lifestyle, Fire, Toys, Air and Pirates.
Please read and discuss aspects of these topic areas at every opportunity at home.
Pupils will also work on their **Thinking Skills and Personal Capabilities (TSPC)** throughout their topic work including: Working with Others, Being Creative, Managing Information, Problem Solving/Decision making and Self-Management. Again please encourage opportunities for your child to develop these skills at home as well. Ask your teacher for ideas if needed.

CHILD CENTRED PROVISION
At Euston Street Primary School we aim to meet the needs and aspirations of the pupils within the school.
We aim to create a warm and positive whole school ethos, reflected in the attitudes of staff, pupils and parents. We also aim to provide a positive learning environment for all pupils where their learning is encouraged and developed within the context of their individual needs, talents and abilities. Please contact the Year 2 staff if you have any queries or require more information. Thank you.





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PE kit
Pupils are required to participate in PE as it is a mandatory curricular area. Pupils in Y2 are required to wear suitable sports clothes and footwear on their PE day. Y2TD— Friday, Y2HT—Monday.

Trips in Year 2
Year 2 visit Crawfordsburn Beach in June each year as part of their Pirates topic. There is usually a cost for the trip.

Administration
Please pay for dinners and milk through the Eduspot website.
We operate a Healthy Eating school policy for break and lunch. Please send in healthy items for snack and lunch. The school canteen will serve healthy dinners on these days with chips served once a week.
All policy documents are discussed with the Board of Governors, staff, school council and parents.
For more information please read the full policies on the school website. **www.eustonstreetps.co.uk**

Before & After school clubs and activities
In Euston Street Primary we offer a very wide range of after school activities and courses. These include Waiting Class, Breakfast Club, football, hockey, table tennis, choirs, ICT, netball, art, Scripture Union, Film, Eco, and a book club. Many of these only operate for Year 4 upwards. We would encourage you to get your children to participate in the wider life of the school. Contact Mrs Harper for more information.

PSA
We have a PSA in Euston Street Primary. They will always welcome new members and helpers for events. Information regarding the PSA is on the school website.

Thank you for reading this information.

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What to expect in Year 2

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Information for parents/guardians

Thank you for taking time to read this information on what to expect this year in Year 2. This leaflet can also be found on the school website @ www.eustonstreetps.co.uk under 'Parents' and 'Curriculum'. If you have any questions or need assistance please contact the school office on 02890457089. Office staff will put you in contact with the relevant person for your enquiry.







Position	Name
Principal Safeguarding	Mr John Armstrong
Vice-Principal Safeguarding	Mr Fulton
Head of Foundation & Key Stage 1	Mrs S Devlin/ Mrs Rainey
SENCO/	Mrs R McKeown
Year 2 Teachers	Mrs Harper Mrs Todd Mrs Devlin
Secretary	Mrs Vincent

SAFEGUARDING in Year 2

Please read the tri-fold leaflets, the school policy or notices on school entrance doors on Child Protection/ Safeguarding/Pastoral Care/e:Safety/RSE for important information. In Euston Street, we understand that we have a primary responsibility for the care, welfare and safety of the pupils in our charge. This charge is taken very seriously and we always carry out this duty as effectively as possible.

WHO TO CONTACT

If you have a concern regarding the safeguarding of pupils in school please contact:

Designate Child Protection Teacher Mr Fulton

Deputy Child Protection Teachers

Mr John Armstrong/Mrs S McKersie (Nursery)

Mr Shivers (BOG Safeguarding).



PASTORAL CARE in Year 2



Euston Street Primary School is committed, above all else, to providing each pupil with the best opportunities to develop his or her full potential, socially, academically, morally, emotionally and physically. If you have any concerns please contact the class teacher or Mr John Armstrong.

CITIZENSHIP AND BEHAVIOUR in Year 2

The purpose of our school's policy for behaviour and citizenship is to:
Encourage and praise good behaviour;
Prevent and discourage inappropriate behaviour;
Deal with inappropriate behaviour in a fair and consistent manner;
Develop behavioural skills in the pupils that will benefit both them and the community in which they live and learn.
Use class Traffic Lights to encourage good behaviour;
Rewards and sanctions all centre around the Golden Rules below:

Do be kind and helpful
Do be gentle
Do listen
Do work hard
Do be honest
Do look after property

UNIFORM

Please see the prospectus on the school website for details.

Numeracy

As you will hear, your child will have a lot of knowledge and skills to work through in Year 2. They will need your on-going support. The areas of Numeracy in Year 2 are:

Number

Counting forward to 100 and backwards from 20
Counting in 2s, 5s and 10s within 20/50/100
Number before, after, between within 20
Addition /subtraction within 10/20.
Ordering consecutive/non-consecutive numbers
Number bonds in 10 (e.g. 2 and ? = 10)
Understand oral problem solving Money—adding and making amounts using 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p coins



Data Handling

Using tree, Carroll and Venn diagrams for sorting (Google them if unsure!)
Block graphs and pictographs for representing information

Measure

Know days of the week in order
Know o'clock and half past times
Understand length, weight, capacity and area (more than covered , less than covered)

Shape and Space

Know names and recognise 2D and 3D shapes—square, rectangle, circle, triangle, hexagon, pentagon — cube, cuboid, cylinder, cone, sphere.
Understand positional words—forwards, backwards, up, down, beside, between...

Literacy



There are lots of reading, writing, spelling and grammar books and activities to get through in P2 and this work will also need your on-going support.

Spelling

In January we will start spellings. These are taught in school using the 'look, cover, say, check' approach and are tested on a Friday.

Reading

In Year 2 we revisit and consolidate sounds covered in Year 1, We then introduce Linguistic Phonics and work on stages 1-4. Tricky words that do not follow the sound patterns need to be learnt using the 'look and say' approach.
Pupils need to read daily. We have silent and modelled reading time in school each day and guided reading activities with the class teacher. Please complete any reading activities homework sent home and actively encourage reading at bedtime.

Writing, punctuation and grammar

We will be concentrating on correct formation of lower and upper case letters and move towards writing on lines in the third term. We focus on basic sentence structure, using capital letters, full stops and question marks as appropriate.





