



Year 2

Autumn Newsletter 2025



Welcome back to another exciting year at Bartons! We hope you all have had a wonderful summer break, we are eager to see the children and get them motivated for a fantastic Year with us in Year 2. We are very lucky to have Mrs Terry (Monday - Thursday) and Miss Williamson (Friday) supporting the children with us in Year 2.

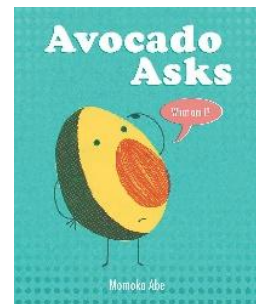


Topic

This half term our topic is 'Field to Fork' where we will be focusing on food and where it comes from. We may even get the chance to make some delicious fruit kebabs. The second part of the autumn term our topic will be 'Up in Smoke' where we will be looking at the Great Fire of London and the Gunpowder Plot.

English

Our English writing focus this half term is story writing, focusing on 'Avocado Asks' by Momoko Abe. Alongside our writing we will be continuing to work on our grammar, spelling and phonics. We will also continue our hard work on handwriting which will be supported by daily activities. Daily reading will also be vital for the children to reach the expected standards at the end of the year. This will be supported by regular whole class reading sessions where we will be focusing on the different reading skills the children need to develop.



Year 2 Common Exception Words

after	child	every	half	move	plant	whole
again	children	everybody	hold	Mr	poor	who
any	Christmas	eye	hour	Mrs	pretty	wild
bath	class	fast	improve	old	prove	would
beautiful	climb	father	kind	only	should	
because	clothes	find	last	parents	steak	
behind	could	floor	many	pass	sugar	
both	cold	gold	mind	past	sure	
break	door	grass	money	path	told	
busy	even	great	most	people	water	



Maths

We are continuing to follow the Numicon approach which the children are now experts in! This half term we will be securing the skills we learned in Year 1 before developing them further when exploring the Year 2 objectives. These include further strategies for addition and subtraction, while introducing multiplication and division.

Homework

Take Away Tasks will continue to be set every Friday and will be due in Thursday. The children will be expected to upload pictures / videos of their completed tasks onto SeeSaw. daily reading and Numbots/TTrackstars practice will also be expected.



PE

This year PE will be every **Monday** and **Thursday**. Please ensure your child comes into school wearing their full PE kit on these days. If your child has their ears pierced, we ask that the earrings are removed before coming to school on these days, please refer to our uniform policy for further guidance on this.

How can you help?

- **Regular reading** at home where you can share stories, asking and answering questions about what you have read.
- Ensure they have their school **reading book in school every day** as the children will be expected to read it after lunch, a time where those who are on Accelerated Reader can complete their quizzes.
- Encourage them to complete their homework tasks while letting them develop their independence.
- Check our class page on the website to discuss their learning further.
- The children need to be at school promptly in the morning at 8:45am.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to come and talk to us. You can also email the office at office@bartonsprimary.school and these will be forwarded on to us.

We are looking forward to a fantastic year!

Many Thanks,
Year 2 Team

Useful Dates for Autumn Term

September

15th: Maths Investigational Day.

October

6th: Harvest Festival Assembly

10th: Yellow School Photos - Individual.

25th Parents Evening target sheets sent home

(HALF TERM 27th October – 31st October)

November

3rd: Back to School / Maths Week

4th: Parents Evening (3:45pm – 5.45pm)

10th: Anti-bullying Week. Activities throughout the week.

14th: Children in Need – Non-uniform day donation of £1

19th: Parents Evening (4pm – 6:45pm)

21st: Non-uniform day for Christmas Fair items

25th: Sharing of work (3:15pm – 3:45pm)

26th: Sharing of Work (8:40am – 9am)

28th: Christmas Fair (3:30pm – 5pm)

December

1st: Year 1, 2 & 3 dress rehearsal at 2pm (relaxed performance open ticket)

2nd: Year 1, 2 & 3 Christmas Production 2pm & 6pm.

12th: Christmas Jumper – wear your Christmas jumper. £1

18th: END OF TERM

19th: Inset Day

(School Holidays 22nd Dec – 2nd January 2026)

Year 2 Educational Visits (dates to be confirmed)

Autumn Term – Goodwood Farm (October 2025) – approximate trip cost £24

Summer Term – Beach Historical Walk (April 2026) – no cost

Summer Term – Arundel Castle (June 2026) – approximate trip cost £25