

Welcome to Class 2

Class 2 is made up of eleven KS3 pupils in year 7. The pupils are supported by three teaching and learning assistants. In class 2 we work in a range of ways including whole class, individual, paired and small group learning. In a lesson we will begin with whole class input where the pupils are given the opportunity to discuss, ask questions and share knowledge. The pupils sit in pairs or individually at their table. We also have individual work stations in the room that some pupils choose to sit at to complete their independent work without distractions.

Our day starts with meeting time where we share the daily visual timetable and pupils are given the opportunity to share any news, ask questions or express concerns/ worries about the day. We complete personalised activities in our SPAG (spelling, punctuation and grammar) books or work on idioms or topic vocabulary. During meeting time we also discuss the focus of the week and watch Newsround to keep us up to date with what is going on in the world around us.

We have six lessons each day taught by the class teacher; two before break, two after break and two after lunch. We have maths and literacy daily. We also have a daily social skills programme that we follow called Talkabout. This has been recommended by our Speech and Language Therapist and focusses on developing attention and listening, understanding and auditory memory, expressive language and social communication. We have a fine and gross motor skills session once a week led by the Occupational Therapist. On a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday we have Enrichment activities at the end of the day. The pupils choose these activities from a range of choices which are changed each term.

We aim to meet the needs of individual pupils through differentiated lessons and individualised intervention programmes. Additionally, identified pupils are supported by the Speech and Language Therapist, Occupational Therapist and Educational Psychologist.

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