POWNALL GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Love Learning, Love Life!

YEAR 2 CURRICULUM

2P - Mrs Glazebrook (Mon-Thurs) and Mrs Byrne (Fri)

2G - Mrs O'Toole

POWNALL GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Curriculum design

Intent

Love learning, love life!

Our curriculum is designed to be:

Inspiring and ambitious - challenging all children to aim high

Sequenced and coherent - carefully planned to help knowledge and skills grow

Knowledge-rich and vocabulary-rich - broadening understanding and oracy

Inclusive - ensuring every child feels valued, supported and able to flourish

'The Pownall Experience' brings this to life through enrichment opportunities that go far beyond the classroom - helping children become well-rounded, enthusiastic learners who love learning and love life!

Implementation

Our curriculum is implemented through an evidence-informed approach. We draw upon the best available research to help us teach in ways that make a real difference. High-quality teaching at Pownall Green includes explicitly linking new knowledge to what children already know, breaking it down into manageable chunks, and providing clear explanations supported by helpful visuals and demonstrations. We check understanding regularly and respond to children's needs, offering scaffolded practice to help all children progress and achieve their best

Impact

The impact of our curriculum can be seen in our learners.

Our children:

- Do their best and aim high in all they do
- See choices as opportunities to grow and achieve
- Embrace challenges with confidence and resilience
- Work well collaboratively and think of others
- Are well prepared for their next steps
- love learning and love life!

Choice… Challenge…Collaboration…

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The Pownall Experience



We are passionate about offering every child opportunities that go far beyond our ambitious curriculum. During their time with us, all children can enjoy a rich range of enrichment experiences - helping them get the most out of their education, create lasting memories, and truly embrace the Pownall Experience. At Pownall Green, we love learning and we love life!

DAY-TO- DAY ARRANGEMENTS

The school day

Start of morning session	EYFS and KS1 8:35am – 8:45am KS2 – 8:40am - 8:50am
Morning register closes	EYFS and KS1 8:45am KS2 – 8:50am
Start of afternoon session and close of registration	EYFS - 12:45pm KS1 – 1pm KS2 – 1:15pm
End of day	EYFS and KS1 - 3:15pm KS2 – 3:20pm

For this year group:

- PE days are: Tuesday and Wednesday (2P) Monday and Tuesday (2G)
- Homework: Set on a Thursday to be completed for the following Tuesday
- Library day: Monday (2P) and Tuesday (2G)
- Outdoor learning days will vary depending on our curriculum throughout the year.
  Please ensure wellies are in school every day. These are kept in the welly store outside 2P. Top shelf: 2G. Bottom shelf: 2P.

Attendance

If your child is unwell, the best place for him/her is home. Parents are requested to inform school at the earliest opportunity of the reason for their child's absence via telephone. The benefit of consistent, regular and punctual attendance is a full access to the curriculum and we seek for a partnership with families to promote a positive attitude to this. Parents are requested to avoid term time holidays in order to cause as little disruption as possible to their child's education. Only in exceptional circumstances may permission be granted for absence during term time.

Medicines

If a child requires medication but is well enough to attend school, parents/carers should bring the medicine, clearly labelled with the child's name and class to the school office. Medicines which are to be given three times per day need not be brought to school since they may be administered before school, after school and before bedtime. Medicines to be given four times per day may be brought to school for a midday dose to be administered. Asthma medication should be given to the teacher for safe, accessible storage. The Headteacher and class teacher should always be informed when a child has asthma and/or needs to have an inhaler in school to enable an appropriate level of care.

Security arrangements

If anyone other than a parent/carer or their regular, known representative is to collect your child from school, you must advise the class teacher in the morning of the day in question, and prior to collection. Children will not be released to anyone else without such notice. If this is to be a regular arrangement, please inform the class teacher so you do not have to inform on each occasion.

Safeguarding

At our school safeguarding encompasses child protection, safer recruitment, as well our approach to the Child-In-Need process. It is also supported by our approach to behaviour management, our response to managing bullying, our response to care and control, our response to children who are absent from school and our health and safety procedures. Throughout our work we have a clear commitment to supporting families. In line with the duty placed on us by section 175 of the Education Act 2002, we work well in partnership with parents**/**carers and any other appropriate agencies to promote the welfare of our children.

School Uniform

Everything that is brought in to school including all school uniform MUST BE NAMED	
Standard Uniform	• Grey pinafore dress / skirt • *Gold embroidered sweatshirt / cardigan* • *Short sleeved embroidered yellow polo shirt* • Grey tights • Grey/white socks • A warm outdoor coat (embroidered fleeces and waterproof coats are available) • Summer dress in yellow/white check • Classic cut grey shorts
Footwear	• Flat, black, plain school shoes or ankle boots. Boots must not be 'UGG' style and should not come above the ankle • Trainers should not be worn. • Wellington boots may be worn to school but children must have their school shoes to change in to.
Swimming Kit	• Swimming trunks or swimming costume and swimming cap (from Y3 upwards) • Towel • Goggles are not required unless there is a medical need
PE	• *T shirt in house colour (red, blue, green, yellow), this can be with the school logo or plain (no other logos permitted)* • Black shorts / cycling shorts / skorts • Black unbranded tracksuit top and bottoms for outdoor PE • Plimsolls/trainers
Other Options	• *Brown Book Bag for EYFS/KS1 (optional)* • Bags need to be small enough to fit in to their locker.
Jewellery, Hair and Make Up	• The wearing of jewellery is not appropriate for school and is not permitted except when it is worn for religious reasons. • If your child has pierced ears then studs may be worn. No other type of earring is acceptable due to health and safety reasons. Children must be able to remove them themselves in order to take part in PE lessons or covered with medical tape. • A watch may be worn. This must not have GPS, camera, messaging or calling capability. Must be removed for PE and Food Technology. • Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. For health and safety reasons and to ensure it does not distract from learning, we advise that long hair be tied back with a bobble. It must be tied back for PE if it is longer than shoulder length and other activities where there is a health and safety element. Any plain clips and hairbands must be discreet and only used to secure hair away from the face. • Children should not wear make-up and should not have their nails painted. They should not wear false nails.
Sun protection	• Sun tan lotion to be applied at home (All day recommended). • Children must bring named sun hats in for sunny weather. • Optional named sunglasses. • Named water bottle.
Uniform presentation	• Jumpers/cardigans should not be tied around waists.

Home-school communication
Teaching staff are available at the end of the school day for brief conversations (please note teachers have a staff meeting at 3:30pm on Wednesdays and Senior Leaders have a meeting on Tuesdays at 3:30pm). Appointments for longer discussion can be made by mutual agreement.

The weekly newsletter will be sent out on Friday and will be the main method of communication for upcoming events and celebration of school life. Parents evening will take place remotely in the Autumn and Spring term. Reports will go out in before February half term and in the summer term.

The Parents Page on the Website www.pownallgreen.co.uk
Our Parents page on the website also includes copies of the latest letters, notices, PTA information, uniform information as well as copies of all forms for you to print off and complete at home. The parents page also has useful information about how to support your child's learning in key areas.

Curriculum Overview

	Term 1a	Term 1b	Term 2a	Term 2b	Term 3a	Term 3b
Science	Animals including Humans	Animals including Humans	Uses of Everyday Materials	Uses of Everyday Materials	Living Things and their Habitats	Living Things and their Habitats
	Plants throughout the year					
History		Poppy Day Guy Fawkes		Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King	Local History Place: Bramall Hall People: People of Bramhall Hall Event: Bramhall Hall & the Siege of Manchester 1642	
Geography	Characteristics of 4 countries and capital cities of the UK and surrounding seas		Oceans and continents		Similarities and differences in human and physical geography between Bramhall and Mtongwe, Mombasa, Kenya (Destiny Garden School)	
Art		**Drawing** Lyn Li Firework oil pastels		**Painting** Kandinsky		**Sculpture** Clay animals
DT	Dips and dippers		Moving pictures		Strongest chair challenge	
Computing	Digital Literacy **Keynotes** – Robot Avatars **Chatterpix Kids** – Interactive Image **Probots**		Digital Literacy **Shadow Puppets Edu –** AI advantages video **Doink Greenscreen** – Masking story time **Scratch Jr** – Knock Knock Joke		Digital Literacy **Pic Collage** – Venn diagrams **I can Animate** – Stop motion animation **Scratch Jr** – Robot Helper	
PSHE	Mental health and wellbeing	Keeping safe online	Me, my body and staying safe	Money and work	Keeping safe outside the home	Looking back and moving on
RE	Who is a Muslim and what do they believe?		How and why do we celebrate special and sacred times?		How should we care for others and the world and why does it matter?	
PE	Gym and Games		Games and Dance		Tennis and Games	
Music	Call and response (Animals)		Instruments (Musical story telling)		Pitch (Musical me)	
French	Simple greetings in French		Colours Numbers to 20		Basic classroom instructions Days of the week	

ENGLISH

Reading

Children are taught reading skills daily through a range of activities, which include:

- Regular spelling sessions (Essential Letters and Sounds) or phonic sessions
- Weekly guided reading sessions
- Regular story times
- Library visit in which children will choose a library book to enjoy and read for pleasure
- Once children are reading beyond Oxford Reading Tree Level 6, children will move onto more challenging texts and change them independently.
- Parent volunteers will hear some children read.
- Please use the home reading record to log all home reading.
- Teachers will assess children's reading once a half term.

Writing

We aim to create a community of writers who are passionate about their learning. We do this through providing opportunities for children to write in different genres and for a range of audiences and purposes.

Handwriting

There is one pupil log in for all pupils and you can access your specific year group to practise this.

Pupil Log In

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IPad and Tablet Log-in

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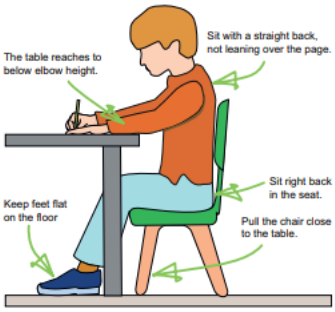
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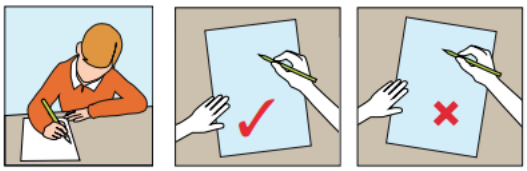
Comfortable Sitting Position and Correct Paper Position Letter-join

Right handed children

How to sit correctly to be comfortable for handwriting.

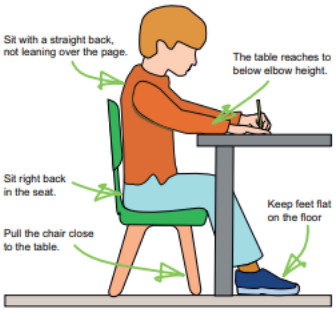


How to hold and position the paper.



Left handed children

How to sit correctly to be comfortable for handwriting.



How to hold and position the paper.



Spelling

We teach spelling using the Essential Letters and Sounds Spelling Scheme. Children are allocated weekly word lists via Google Classroom as part of their homework to practice spelling patterns. Children will have a formal spelling test each week.

In addition to learning spelling patterns children are expected to learn to spell common exception words (Y1 and Y2) Please see below.

Year 1 and 2 Common Exception Words

Year 1

the	they	one
a	be	once
do	he	ask
to	me	friend
today	she	school
of	we	put
said	no	push
says	go	pull
are	so	full
were	by	house
was	my	our
is	here	
his	there	
has	where	
I	love	
you	come	
your	some	

Year 2

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

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MATHEMATICS

Mathematics is taught through daily dedicated mathematic lessons but is also reinforced in other curriculum areas. The skills of number, shape, space, measure and handling data are all taught and practised throughout the year. The use and application of mathematics is developed at the same time through investigations, puzzles and problem solving.

The key learning objectives for Year 2 are to:-

- Count in steps of 2s, 3s and 5s, and steps of 10
- Recognise place value (tens and units) in two-digit numbers
- Compare and order numbers up to 100 including using <, > and =
- Recall and use number addition/subtraction facts to 20
- Add and subtract, mentally and with objects, one- and two-digit numbers
- Understand and use the inverse (opposite) relationship between addition and subtraction
- Know 2×, 5× and 10× tables, including recognising odd & even numbers
- Calculate mathematical statements using x and ÷ symbols
- Recognise, find, name and write 1/3, 1/4, 1/2 and 3/4 of a number, shape or quantity
- Write simple fraction facts, e.g. 1/2 of 6 = 3, 3/4 of 8=
- Combine amounts of money to make a value, including using £ and p symbols
- Tell the time to 15 minute and 5 minute intervals, including drawing hands on clocks
- Describe properties of 2-D shapes, including number of sides and vertices, and symmetry
- Describe properties of 3-D shapes, including number of edges, vertices and faces

Feedback

Providing children individual feedback is essential if they are to make good progress. Feedback closest to the point of teaching and learning is likely to be most effective. We place considerable emphasis on immediate feedback that changes the course of the lesson. Summary feedback may take place at the end of the lesson and may involve children self/peer-assessing and editing in purple pen.

Achievement and attainment

We have high expectations of your child's educational achievement and personal qualities. The judgements about performance throughout the year are based on teacher assessments, against age-related expectations of the National Curriculum appropriate to the year group your child is in at present. Teacher assessments in all subjects are informed by continuous assessment during the whole year and takes account of evidence from observations, children's work and school based tests and tasks.

Statutory assessments

Below are is a list of statutory assessments that take place in all state schools across the country. These will be discussed further at the curriculum meeting.

- Reception Baseline Assessment
- Year 1 Phonics Check
- Year 2 Phonics Check (for children not meeting the standard in year one)
- Year 4 Multiplication Check
- Year 6 SATs

HOME- SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

We greatly value a strong home/school partnership at Pownall Green and we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support. As always, if at any time you would like to discuss your child's progress, please make an appointment to see the relevant class teacher.

How will I know how my child is doing this year?

Term 1A	Term 1B	Term 2A	Term 2B	Term 3A	Term 3B
Curriculum Meetings Share what the children are going to learn.	**Online Parents Evening** How they have settled. Strengths and development points. Parents/carers share relevant information. **Open Morning** Children will share with parents/carers their learning.	**Mid - Year Report** Current academic performance Attendance Attitude Targets	**Open Morning** Children will share with parents/carers their learning.	**Face to face Parents Evening** How they have progressed. Strengths and development points. Parents/carers share relevant information.	**End of year report** Achievement in all subjects. Personal and social comments. Targets for the next year. **Open Morning** Children will share with parents/carers their learning.

Establishing routines for reading, spellings, practising number facts, multiplication tables and homework is advisable and helps your child to learn valuable study skills for life.

Homework
Homework tasks will be listed on Google Classroom each week.

The following homework will be set:

- Reading (at least 4 times a week) from Reception – Y6 Parents to sign when their child has read.
- Spelling practise using spelling lists posted on Google Classroom from Y1-Y6
- Maths homework from Y1-Y6
- Occasionally teachers may set additional tasks which will be communicated via Google Classroom

Developing reading at home
Children of all ages, from Reception to Year 6, benefit greatly from reading and discussing books with an adult. Children should read as much as possible and should be encouraged to read a wide range of high-quality literature from a range of authors. Children enjoy being read to, whatever their age, and this helps to develop their vocabulary and their love of books.

Developing spelling at home
Children are allocated weekly word lists via Google Classroom as part of their homework to practice spelling patterns. Children will have a formal spelling test and the class teacher will be monitoring whether these spellings are applied in their writing. In addition to learning spelling patterns children are expected to learn to spell common exception words (Y1 and Y2) and Statutory word lists (Y3-Y6). Please see above.

Developing maths at home

It is essential that all children regularly practise rapid recall of addition and subtraction facts and multiplication tables in order to keep their skills sharp. Children rarely learn number facts once and for all. Without regular practice at recalling number facts, the once seemingly ‘learnt’ number facts can quickly fade and recall can become slow and inaccurate. This is often a common barrier to learning in mathematics. It is therefore essential that all children keep practising the rapid recall of such number facts throughout the school from Reception to Year 6.

Involving children in everyday activities that require the real-life application of mathematics can really help children deepen their understanding of mathematical concepts. Activities such as baking, shopping, measuring, planning journeys and holidays can all be meaningful real-life applications of mathematics that you and your child can enjoy together.