



# BOUNCE



Welcome to your first term in  
Year 2!

We hope that you have had a lovely Summer  
and are now ready to settle back in to a new term.

Our topic for our first term is Bounce. In this topic, we  
will carry out many investigations exploring materials and  
objects that bounce.

This half term, we will be encouraging the children to become  
more independent and responsible for their learning, and to use  
their Growth Mindset to solve their own problems.

The St. Ninian's mobiles will be our home for the next few  
weeks - we're looking forward to being able to make this an  
exciting experience for the children.


If you have any questions or concerns, please pop over  
to our mobile to chat to us.

Miss Robertson and Miss O'Mahony



## Healthy Snacks


Can we please remind  
you that snacks should either  
be a piece of fruit or a plain  
biscuit. No foods containing  
NUTS should be sent in.  
Children can also bring in a  
labelled water bottle that  
can be filled during  
the day.



## Trips

On Wednesday 11th  
September we will be  
visiting Dragons Castle.

On Friday 4th October we will  
be spending the day at the NSC.  
We'll be exploring 'Bounce'  
further through learning a  
range of new games! Letter  
to follow.



## Homework Challenges

Children will receive  
homework every 3 weeks and  
will have two weeks to complete  
these. Please ensure they are  
handed on time on the due  
date that is clearly labelled in  
their learning logs.



Homework




## Reading

Individual book change days  
are Monday and Friday.  
Children will be encourage to  
change their own books. Guided  
Reading will be on a Thursday.  
Please ensure books are in  
school on these days.


## PE Days

We will have two P.E  
sessions a week. Children  
will need a full indoor and  
outdoor kit, clearly labelled  
and in line with the school  
uniform policy.




## Medications

All medications should be in  
school, clearly labelled and in  
date.



## Arts and Crafts

Please can all children bring  
in an oversized old t-shirt that  
can be worn over clothes for  
painting. Please can these be  
clearly named.



# B O U N C E

Please find below a brief summary of the exciting learning that will be taking place in Year 2. This half term we will be focusing on:

## LITERACY

Focus - Recounts, Instructions and Poetry.

Our first piece of writing will stem from our 'Memorable experience' of visiting Dragon's Castle. Children will discuss and plan their own recounts using photos/recordings that they took on the day.

Children will also be explore a range of instructions before writing their own set to be followed by others.

Children will have the opportunity to explore a range of poetry based on their favourite sport, movement or exercise.

Children will continue having daily phonic session.

## GUIDED READING

In order for you to best support your child's reading at home, we will be sending home regular learning objectives in children's reading records. These will be sent home prior to Guided Reading sessions and we encourage you to discuss these with your child.

## TOPIC

Focus - Bounce

Throw it, catch it, roll it, bounce it!  
**BOING BOING BOING!**  
Up and down and side to side,  
can you catch a bouncing ball?

We will be exploring materials, sculpture, mechanisms, teamwork and healthy well-being within our Bounce topic. There will be many opportunities for hands on, messy and exciting learning! Throughout this we will also develop our individual Growth Mindset and 6R skills.

## PE

Focus - Throwing and Catching.

We will be developing our throwing and catching skills, before moving onto participating in team games that require these developed skills. We will also explore how we can keep ourselves fit and healthy.

## MATHS

Focus - Place value, addition and subtraction.

We are excited to begin Year 2 using a Maths Mastery approach to our teaching and learning. The maths lessons will be more practical and children will be encouraged to choose their own resources.

We will be looking at different ways of representing numbers, using physical objects, pictures or numbers. We will also be using these methods to solve a range of addition and subtraction problems.

We will continue to work with Times Table Rockstars in class. Children are encourage to continue using this at home.



## SCIENCE

Focus - Materials

We will be exploring different materials, in particular the materials balls are made from and what makes things bounce!

We will also be investigating why exercise is so important and the effect of exercise has on our bodies.

We will be identifying and classifying materials. Observing closely and carrying out investigations. Identifying and deciding on the best materials suitable for a purpose.

How we can change the shape of objects. We will be able to describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.

## SEAL

Focus - New Beginnings

This term, we will be exploring our own emotions and learning how to react to emotions shown by others. We'll be able to recognise, discuss and understand our emotions.