

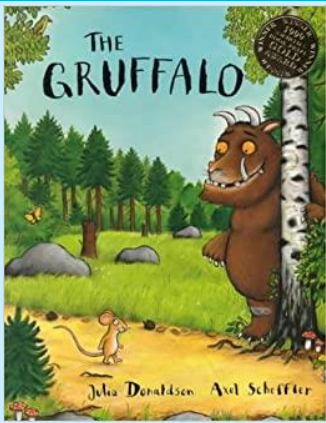


Welcome to the Gruffalos!

Who are the adults in your year 2 class?

	
Hello I'm Mrs Chetcuti and I'm so excited about working with you. I love taking my dog Bryn out for long walks in the countryside and baking biscuits and cakes.	Hi everyone! I am Mr Malcolm. I cannot wait to go on an action-packed learning journey with you in Y2! I enjoy cooking and walking up hills and mountains.

What is my class book about?

	<i>The Gruffalo is a brilliant book about a brave but sneaky mouse who outwits lots of predators that want to have it for their dinner. In our class we will have groups such as the foxes, stickmen, owls, mice and snakes. I wonder which groups you will be in?!</i>
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Topics for Year 2

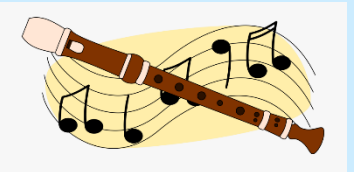
<i>The Gruffalo Show!</i> 	<i>Land Ahoy!</i> 	<i>The Land of the Rising Sun</i> 	<i>People who have positively changed the world</i> 
<i>In our first half term we will be challenged to plan, script, design and perform a Gruffalo show to Key Stage 1! It could be a shadow puppet show in our forest or something else. We will decide and plan it together!</i>	<i>In this topic we imagine we are on a scientific research ship charting the world's 5 oceans. We will discover different sea creatures and island cultures. Finally, we will look at plastic pollution and how we can help our blue planet.</i>	<i>We will visit the incredible country of Japan. A key element will be helping Takashi san, a lighthouse keeper, whose sushi lunch box keeps on being ruined by large waves and pesky seagulls. This topic will require your design and scientific skills as we build, experiment and test different lunch box prototypes with water pistols and a nerf gun!</i>	<i>In our final topic, the UN will ask Y2s to make a huge collage for their head quarters on people who have made a positive change to the world. We will need to sharpen our historical research and artistic skills to meet the deadline at the New York headquarters!</i>

A glimpse into the future. Our new school is almost here!



What is the same and what is different in Year 2?

There are lots of things that will stay the same for you in the Gruffalos. Class wide rewards will remain and you will continue to be able to vote for your class wide reward parties. In year 2 we will have the opportunity to have recorder lessons for half of the academic year. Also we will get a Times Table Rock Stars account where you can learn and stretch your times tables skills at school and online at home. Finally, you will be the oldest children in Key Stage 1 so you will need to set a great example as the other children will look up to you.



Ways to get ready for Year 2

- Try to read with someone every day over the summer holidays. It's great to get lost in a good story. There are some great online reads on the new Key Stage 1 Virtual Library that you can access through the school blog. Also if your adult visits the oxford owls website (<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>) they can set up a free account where you have access to lots of levelled Oxford Reading tree books like the Biff, Chip and Kipper series
- Ask if you can look at your adult's coins and count different amounts. Remember you must ask first!
- Practise reading and telling the time with different clocks in your home
- Add in 2s and 5s to practise your times tables
- Spend lots of time outdoors - playing, exercising and exploring the wonderful green places we have in our city
- Talk with an adult and complete the form attached for discussion on your return to school – we want to know about you and how we can help you

My Transition to Year 2



The things I enjoy at school are _____



The things I am interested in are _____

How do you think my adults in school can help me? _____



The things I would like to get better at are _____



Some things I would like you to know about me are

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