



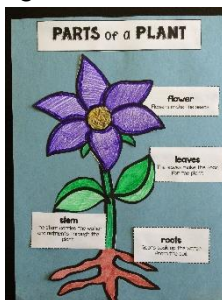
Hello, Year 2! We hope you're staying safe and happy whilst you are at home. You are now into Week 3 of your training and you are over half way to becoming a real Secret Agent! Keep growing those brains by completing the activities we have set out for you and being resilient when the learning gets tricky. This is a great quality that a Secret Agent needs to have. This week, we have found some new links for your maths learning on White Rose and have given you some more creative ideas for your writing and theme learning.

We continue to miss you all.

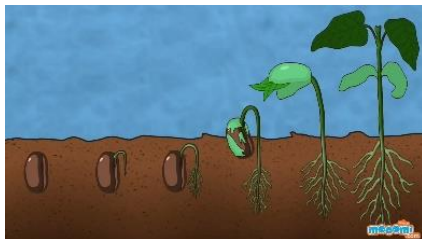
Love Mrs Rayner, Miss Atkins, Mrs Harris, Mrs Skelton and Mrs Burrige.

For our theme: Secret Agent Training

To continue our science learning all about plants, we would like you to find out about the different basic parts of a flowering plant and of a tree. You could present this in an informative poster, scientific diagram or make a model. Here are some ideas to inspire you:



Using the PowerPoint saved in the Year 2 Theme tab titled 'Seeds and Bulbs,' look through the slides about different seeds and bulbs and watch the video about how a seed turns into a plant. Write an explanation about how a seed/bulb turns into a plant through the process of germination. You can record this anyway you like. You could be a TV presenter and write a script explaining how the seed grows and even record yourselves, if you're feeling brave. ☺ If you don't fancy recording yourself, you could draw the different stages of how the seed grows and label them using clear sentences for each part of the cycle.



Be creative

Design and, if you can, create your own miniature garden. In your design, think carefully about which plants and flowers you would want in your garden.

Do you want it to be green all year (you might want to include some evergreen plants in your garden)? How colourful do you want your garden to be in the spring time? Find out about which plants can be grown in the spring time. Use some of the websites saved in the 'flowers' document in the Year 2 Theme tab.



<https://schoolgardening.rhs.org.uk/Resources/Activity/Design-a-Miniature-garden?returnUrl=%2FResources%2FFind-a-resource%3Fso%3D0%26pi%3D20%26ps%3D10%26f%3D1,1:%26page%3D3>

Be creative (continued)

As we know, it is super important for Secret Agents to have a disguise so they can't be spotted. Go through your cupboards, old clothing boxes, and fancy dress boxes to search for items to use as disguises. Dress up in a few different disguises and take pictures to make your own secret agent Spy IDs, complete it with your code name and your fingerprints.



Get Expert in English

Super Spellings!

We have your next set of words ready for Week 3's super spelling challenge! This week, you have another 5 spellings to practice and learn. (Year 2 English tab). Use your different strategies to help you to learn these spellings.

To make sure you are still remembering your Year 2 Common exception words, practice spelling them using the game 'Against the Clock'. A voice will read aloud a sentence and the missing common exception word. Simply type in the correct spelling as quickly as you can to beat the clock.

https://www.spellzone.com/word_lists/games-259517.htm

Reading

Take a look at the '3 Step reading challenges' all about Extreme Earth (in the Year 2 English tab). Start with Step 1 and develop your reading and inferencing skills. As you move through the stages, the reading gets more challenging. Can you create more questions for a sibling or one of your parents to answer?

Parent note: The answers to the questions are on the last page of the documents.

Writing

As spring is officially in bloom, why don't you create your own acrostic poem all about it? Think about all the wonderful events that happen during spring time: St George's Day, new life (lambs and other baby animals), flowers etc. Look at the PowerPoint titled 'Acrostic Poem' under the Year 2 English tab. There is a poem template in the Year 2 English tab if you want to use it or you can create your own!

Explore and extend your writing skills by using the daily lessons on BBC Bite size. Try to complete two of their English lessons this week and record these in your Learning at Home book.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/tags/z7s22sg/year-2-lessons/1>

Take a look at the picture 'Morning Surprise' on *Once upon a Picture* – use link below. Explore the questions underneath the picture and act out the events. You could film yourself or make notes in your writing books.

https://www.onceuponapicture.co.uk/portfolio_page/morning-surprise/ .

This activity may take you more than one day.

Maths Workouts!

Number facts

Keep practicing your number bonds to 20 and within 20. You can do this by playing number bond bingo! All you have to do is write down 6 numbers within 20. Your parent can then call out a random number within 20. If you have the matching number bond, you can cross it off. You can play it with other people in your family too and see who can get all 6 first. 😊

Another fun interactive game that you can play to help you with your number fact families is on this link <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/number-facts/number-fact-families>. You can practice your number families for adding, subtraction, multiplication and division by completing each number sentence. You can start with numbers to 20 and then you could challenge yourself to numbers to 50 and 100!

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Maths Workouts! (continued)

Calculating Skills

Practice your addition, subtraction, multiplication and division skills – look at the Math Calculations document in Year 2 Math tab. There are 4 calculations and a challenge for each day of the week! Write the calculations into your home learning books and find the answers. Use the Math Strategy sheet in the 'Week 1' tab (from before Easter) to help you to solve the calculations using the appropriate method. If you want to really challenge yourself, you can write your own calculation, have a go at solving it and then get your parent to check it for you.

Problem Solving Skills

There are daily math lessons available on <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-2/>. This week the focus is on length (**please look at 'Week 2, w/c 27th April' on the website**), there are short videos for you to watch and then an activity to complete. You can answer all of these questions in your home learning book if this is easier, or if you cannot print the sheets.

As some of the questions are worded problems, it might be really useful for you to use your RUCSAC strategy. In case you have forgotten what this stands for, you can find a copy of the RUCSAC card we use in our classrooms in the Year 2 Maths tab on the website.

There are answers on the website that your parents can use to check you have worked out each word problem correctly. (**Parent Note:** the answers are provided for each day's lesson on the same page as the activity on the website – link above).

Other Opportunities

Make a **sandwich** using ingredients which you have at home. Make sure an adult is with you as you put butter or margarine and a filling onto your sandwich and cut your sandwich using a knife. After you have done this, you could have a little picnic with your favorite teddy or your siblings, either outside if you have a garden or you could make a cosy den in your house instead. Once you've had your sandwich you could write a set of instructions and draw a picture of your picnic that you can keep to remember! You could also write up a review on how 'yummy' the sandwich was, what you liked about it and what you would maybe change next time.

Play a **board game or card game** at home with your families. Remember to share, take turns and respect others that are playing the games with you. You could make your own snap game if you wanted to and then play this with your family!

This **Friday** is the **75th Anniversary of VE Day** (Victory in Europe Day).

On the QI website, there is a separate [VE Day Activities](#) tab full of information and ideas for activities if you wish to find out more and mark this important day in history.



SUGGESTED TIMETABLE

20 minutes to 30 minutes	Spelling Complete your spellings daily using a different spelling activity. Keep practising your Year 2 Common Exception Words
40 to 45 minutes (1 hour maximum)	Maths Daily maths grid calculations Daily maths lesson on White Rose
10/15 minutes	Morning Play break
Up to 20 minutes	Reading / Word reading Read any book to yourself or a family member
40 to 45 minutes (1 hour maximum)	English Read Step 1, Step 2, and Step 3 reading challenges and answer questions. Once upon a picture writing task. Writing a poem. BBC Bitesize daily lessons.
	Lunch break
Between 1 and 2 hours (with a break if desired)	Theme and creative tasks or sport and exercise