



KILMORIE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Year 2

Weekly Learning Letter

Date: Week ending 23rd January 2026

This week in Year 2:

It was lovely to speak to you all at our parent meetings. We hope you enjoyed looking through your child's books and seeing the progress they have made.

English:

In English we have been planning and writing our own versions of 'Ponko and the South Pole' by Meredith Hooper. We have changed some of the characters and used other Antarctic animals. We had fun listening to the sounds these animals make. We have also used lots of drama and role play to help us remember the story. Can you retell your story with the new animals to someone at home, using actions and lots of expression?

Phonics

We have now completed the Year 2 phonics and will be moving on to Year 2 spelling rules and reading comprehensions. To further support your child please follow the below link which will take you to the Little Wandle website where you can access previous sounds taught. These are mini lessons which will support the consolidation of sounds for your child.

<https://lettersandsounds.org.uk/index.php?page=y2-phonics-screening-check-revision>

Reading:

Read 'The Bug Hunt' on the next page and answer the questions below, using the text to find the answers.



THE BUG HUNT

Here are Class 2's teacher, Mrs Carter, and two children, Katie and Peter, talking about their bug hunt at school.



I'm Katie. I searched for bugs under stones. I found two worms, a slug, seven woodlice, a black beetle, a crawly thing that turned out to be a centipede, and a load of ants. It could have been an ants' nest.



Chocolate, honey, silk and strawberries: these are a few of the things we wouldn't have without bugs of one sort or another. They pollinate flowers and do a lot to tidy up too. They recycle leaves and improve the soil.



I'm Peter. I looked under a pile of dead leaves. There were a few spiders, some snails and lots of ants and woodlice. When I was about to go back to class, a shield bug landed on my sleeve. It was dark green.

1. Which **two** types of bug did both Katie and Peter find?

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2. Write down **three** things that we wouldn't have without bugs.

3. Why did Katie find lots of ants?

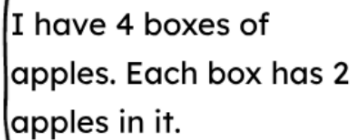
4. What colour was the shield bug?

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Maths / Number:

In maths, we have continued learning about multiplication. The children have been looking at how to represent the 2 times tables in different ways and have been using their knowledge of the two times tables to solve word problems. As well as this, we have begun to solve

Aisha has also been given some boxes of apples for the picnic problems related to the 10 times tables.



I have 4 boxes of apples. Each box has 2 apples in it.



That is 4 groups of 2

1) Skip count in 2s. What comes next?

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4		14	
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8		18	
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2) Skip count backwards in 2s.

What comes before?

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	8		14
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	16		18
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What do you notice about the multiples of 2?





Home learning ideas:

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The RSPB Birdwatch event for 2026 takes place this weekend. It is the world's largest garden wildlife survey and helps build a picture of how garden birds are faring. All you have to do is spend an hour watching and counting the birds in your garden, local park or from your balcony and then send the results to the RSPB. Check out their website for more details.



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Can you help?

Please save any seeds that you have spare: pumpkin, beans, sunflower or avocado seeds and send them into school for our science experiments.

Forthcoming events / trips:

Week commencing 19th January – Parents Evening Week
Friday 6th February – Elis' class assembly
Wednesday 11th February – Rebecca's and Will's classes trip to The Cutty Sark and The National Maritime Museum. Both classes will depart at 9:10 aam
Friday 13th February – Elis' class trip to The Cutty Sark and The National Maritime Museum. Leaving at 9.10am
Friday 13th February – Rebecca's class assembly
Friday 13th March – Will's class assembly

School website:

Please do [visit our website](#), you can find details of forthcoming events on the [calendar](#) (& you can subscribe to your child/ren's year group so it will auto update your calendar), as well as photos of learning activities including educational visits in the [photo gallery](#), read all about recent events and sporting achievements in the [school news](#) section and much, much more!

Have a great weekend.

Will, Rebecca and Elis