# Navigation Primary School English Curriculum

Year 2

#### Guidance Document

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### Year 2 - Objectives

Year 2 pupils will be taught the following objectives throughout the academic year. On some occasions, these objectives may be covered on more than one occasion if the teacher feels it necessary. Throughout each theme, (E.g. Instructions), objectives from several areas of study may be covered over a short term.

Areas	Objectives
Spoken Word	Pupils will be taught to:
	listen and respond appropriately to adults and their peers
	<ul> <li>ask relevant questions to extend their understanding and knowledge</li> </ul>
	use relevant strategies to build their vocabulary
	articulate and justify answers, arguments and opinions
	give well-structured descriptions, explanations and narratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings
	maintain attention and participate actively in group conversations, staying on topic and initiating and responding to comments
	use spoken language to develop understanding through speculating, hypothesising, imagining and exploring ideas
	speak with an increasing command of Standard English
	<ul> <li>participate in discussions, presentations, performances, role play, improvisations and debates</li> </ul>
	gain, maintain and monitor the interest of the listener(s)
	<ul> <li>consider and evaluate different viewpoints, attending to and building on the contributions of others</li> </ul>
	to select and use appropriate language for effective communication.
Word Reading	Pupils will be taught to:

continue to apply phonic knowledge and skills as the way to decode words until automatic decoding is regularly used and reading is fluent read accurately by blending the sounds in words that contain the graphemes taught so far, especially recognising alternative sounds for graphemes read accurately words of two or more syllables that contain the same graphemes as above read words containing common suffixes read further common exception words (words which do not follow a general spelling rule), noting unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where these occur in the word read most words quickly and accurately, without obvious sounding and blending, when they have been frequently encountered read aloud books closely matched to their improving phonic knowledge, sounding out unfamiliar words accurately, automatically and without much hesitation re-read these books to build up their fluency and confidence in word reading. Comprehension Pupils will be taught to: develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by: listening to, discussing and expressing views about a wide range of contemporary and classic poetry, stories and nonfiction at a level beyond that at which they can read independently discussing the sequence of events in books and how items of information are related becoming increasingly familiar with and retelling a wider range of stories, fairy stories and traditional tales being introduced to non-fiction books that are structured in different ways recognising simple recurring language in stories and poetry discussing and clarifying the meanings of words, linking new meanings to known vocabulary discussing their favourite words and phrases continuing to build up a repertoire of poems learnt by heart, appreciating these and reciting some understand both the books that they can already read accurately and fluently and those that they listen to by:

	<ul> <li>drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>checking that the text makes sense to them as they read and correcting inaccurate reading</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>making predictions and discussing the meanings of actions on the basis of what is being said and done</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>answering and asking questions</li> </ul>	
	<ul><li>predicting what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far</li></ul>	
	<ul> <li>participate in discussion about books, poems and other works that are read to them and those that they can read for themselves,</li> <li>taking turns and listening to what others say</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>explain and discuss their understanding of books, poems and other material, both those that they listen to and those that they read for themselves.</li> </ul>	
Writing - transcription	Spelling (see the last section of this document)	
	Pupils will be taught to spell by:	
	<ul> <li>segmenting spoken words into phonemes and representing these by graphemes, spelling many correctly</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>learning new ways of spelling phonemes for which one or more spellings are already known, and learn some words with each spelling, including a few common homophones</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>learning to spell common exception words</li> </ul>	
	<ul><li>learning to spell more words with contracted forms (I am = I'm)</li></ul>	
	<ul><li>learning the possessive apostrophe (singular) [for example, the girl's book]</li></ul>	
	<ul> <li>distinguishing between homophones and near-homophones</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>add suffixes to spell longer words, including -ment, -ness, -ful, -less, -ly</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>apply spelling rules and guidance, as listed in the last section of this document</li> </ul>	

	<ul> <li>write from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher that include words where there is a relationship</li> </ul>
	between the letter and the sound (GPC words), common exception words and punctuation taught so far.
Writing -	Pupils will be taught to:
Handwriting	form lower-case letters of the correct size relative to one another
	<ul> <li>start using some of the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>write capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower case letters</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters.</li> </ul>
Writing -	Pupils will be taught to:
Composition	<ul> <li>develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by:</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>writing narrative pieces of work about personal experiences and those of others (real and fictional)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>writing about real events</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>writing poetry</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>writing for different purposes</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>consider what they are going to write before beginning by:</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>planning or saying out loud what they are going to write about</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>writing down ideas and/or key words, including new vocabulary</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>encapsulating what they want to say, sentence by sentence</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>make simple additions, revisions and corrections to their own writing by:</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>evaluating their writing with the teacher and other pupils</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>re-reading to check that their writing makes sense and that verbs to indicate time are used correctly and consistently, including verbs in the continuous form</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>proof-reading to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation [for example, ends of sentences punctuated</li> </ul>

	correctly]	
	<ul> <li>read aloud what they have written with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear.</li> </ul>	
Writing – Grammar, Vocabulary and	Pupils will be taught to:	
Punctuation	• develop their understanding of the concepts set out in the Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation section of this document:	
	<ul> <li>learning how to use both familiar and new punctuation correctly, including full stops, capital letters, exclamation</li> </ul>	
	marks, question marks, commas for lists and apostrophes for contracted forms and the possessive (singular)	
	• learn how to use:	
	<ul> <li>sentences with different forms: statement, question, exclamation, command</li> </ul>	
	<ul><li>expanded noun phrases to describe and specify [for example, the blue butterfly]</li></ul>	
	<ul> <li>the present and past tenses correctly and consistently including the progressive form</li> </ul>	
	<ul><li>subordination (using when, if, that, or because) and co-ordination (using or, and, or but)</li></ul>	
	<ul> <li>the grammar for year 2 in the Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation section of this document</li> </ul>	
	<ul><li>some features of written Standard English</li></ul>	
	<ul> <li>use and understand the grammatical terminology in the Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation section of this document in discussing their writing.</li> </ul>	

## Year 2 - Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation

This section shows the grammar, vocabulary and punctuation which Year 2 pupils will be taught in their English lessons this year. This will be done throughout the year, and will support the development of their writing.

<u>Year 2</u>	
Word	Formation of <b>nouns</b> using <b>suffixes</b> such as - <i>ness</i> , - <i>er</i> and by compounding [for example, <i>whiteboard</i> , <i>superman</i> ]  Formation of <b>adjectives</b> using <b>suffixes</b> such as - <i>ful</i> , - <i>less</i> Use of the <b>suffixes</b> - <i>er</i> , - <i>est</i> in <b>adjectives</b> and the use of -ly in Standard English to turn adjectives into <b>adverbs</b>
Sentence	Subordination (using when, if, that, because) and co-ordination (using or, and, but)  Expanded noun phrases for description and specification [for example, the blue butterfly, plain flour, the man in the moon]  How the grammar in a sentence indicates its function as a statement, question, exclamation or command
Text	Correct choice and consistent use of present tense and past tense throughout writing  Use of the progressive form of verbs in the present and past tense to mark actions in progress [for example, she is drumming, he was shouting]
Punctuation	Use of capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences  Commas to separate items in a list  Apostrophes to mark where letters are missing in spelling and to mark singular possession in nouns [for example, the girl's name]
Terminology for pupils	noun, noun phrase statement, question, exclamation, command compound, suffix adjective, adverb, verb tense (past, present) apostrophe, comma

## Year 2 - Spelling

This section shows the statutory spelling requirements which Year 2 pupils will be taught.

#### Revision of work from year I

As words with new spellings are introduced, many previously-taught spelings can be revised at the same time as these words will usually contain them.

#### New work for year 2

Statutory requirements	Rules and guidance (non-statutory)	Example words (non-statutory)
The /d <sub>3</sub> / sound spelt as ge and dge at the end of words, and sometimes	The letter j is never used for the $/d_3/$ sound at the end of English words. At the end of a word, the $/d_3/$ sound is spelt - <b>dge</b> straight after the $/\alpha/$ , $/\epsilon/$ , $/\pi/$ , $/\pi/$ , $/\pi/$ , and $/\pi/$ sounds (sometimes called 'short' vowels).	badge, edge, bridge, dodge, fudge
spelt as g elsewhere in words before e, i and y	After all other sounds, whether vowels or consonants, the $/d_3/$ sound is spelt as -ge at the end of a word.	age, huge, change, charge, bulge, village
	In other positions in words, the $/d_3/$ sound is often (but not always) spelt as g before e, i, and y. The $/d_3/$ sound is always spelt as j before a, o and u.	gem, giant, magic, giraffe, energy jacket, jar, jog, join, adjust
The /s/ sound spelt c before e, i and y		race, ice, cell, city, fancy
The /n/ sound spelt kn and (less often) gn at	The 'k' and 'g' at the beginning of these words was sounded hundreds of years ago.	knock, know, knee, gnat, gnaw

Statutory requirements
the beginning of words
The /r/ sound spelt wr at the beginning of words
The /l/ or /əl/ sound spelt -le at the end of words

Rules and guidance (non-statutory)	Example words (non-statutory)
This spelling probably also reflects an old pronunciation.	write, written, wrote, wrong, wrap
The -le spelling is the most common spelling for this sound at the end of words.	table, apple, bottle, little, middle

Statutory requirements
The /l/ or /əl/ sound spelt -el at the end of words
The /l/ or /əl/ sound spelt -al at the end of words
Words ending -il
The /ai/ sound spelt -y at the end of words
Adding -es to nouns and verbs ending in -y
Adding -ed, -ing, -er and

Rules and guidance (non-statutory)	Example words (non-statutory)
The -el spelling is much less common than -le.	camel, tunnel, squirrel, travel, towel,
The -el spelling is used after m, n, r, s, v, w and more often than not after s.	tinsel
Not many nouns end in -al, but many adjectives do.	metal, pedal, capital, hospital, animal
There are not many of these words.	pencil, fossil, nostril
This is by far the most common spelling for this sound at the end of words.	cry, fly, dry, try, reply, July
The <b>y</b> is changed to <b>i</b> before - <b>es</b> is added.	flies, tries, replies, copies, babies, carries
The y is changed to i before -ed, -er and -est are added, but not before -ing	copied, copier, happier, happiest,

Statutory requirements
-est to a root word
ending in -y with a
consonant before it
Adding the endings -ing,
-ed, -er, -est and -y to
words ending in -e with a
consonant before it
Adding -ing, -ed,
-er, -est and -y to words
of one syllable ending in
a single consonant letter
after a single vowel
letter
The /o:/ sound spelt a
before I and II
The $/\Lambda/$ sound spelt o

Rules and guidance (non-statutory)	Example words (non-statutory)
as this would result in ii. The only ordinary words with ii are skiing and	cried, replied
taxiing.	<b>but</b> copying, crying, replying
The -e at the end of the root word is dropped before -ing, -ed, -er, -est, -y or any other suffix beginning with a vowel letter is added. Exception: being.	hiking, hiked, hiker, nicer, nicest, shiny
The last consonant letter of the root word is doubled to keep the $/\alpha$ /, $/\epsilon$ /, $/1$ /, $/p$ / and $/\Lambda$ / sound (i.e. to keep the vowel 'short'). <b>Exception</b> : The letter 'x' is never doubled: <i>mixing</i> , <i>mixed</i> , <i>boxer</i> , <i>sixes</i> .	patting, patted, humming, hummed, dropping, dropped, sadder, saddest, fatter, fattest, runner, runny
The 10:1 sound ('or') is usually spelt as a before I and II.	all, ball, call, walk, talk, always
	other, mother, brother, nothing, Monday

Statutor	y req	uirem	ents

The /i:/ sound spelt -ey

Rules and guidance (non-statutory)	Example words (non-statutory)
The plural of these words is formed by the addition of $-s$ (donkeys, monkeys, etc.).	key, donkey, monkey, chimney, valley
<b>a</b> is the most common spelling for the $\sqrt{v}$ ('hot') sound after <b>w</b> and <b>qu</b> .	want, watch, wander, quantity, squash

Statutory requirements	Rules and guidance (non-statutory)	Example words (non-statutory)
The /3:/ sound spelt or after w	There are not many of these words.	word, work, worm, world, worth
The /ɔ:/ sound spelt ar after w	There are not many of these words.	war, warm, towards
The $\frac{1}{3}$ sound spelt s		television, treasure, usual
The suffixes -ment, -ness, -ful , -less and -ly	If a suffix starts with a consonant letter, it is added straight on to most root words without any change to the last letter of those words.  Exceptions:  (1) argument  (2) root words ending in -y with a consonant before it but only if the root word has more than one syllable.	enjoyment, sadness, careful, playful, hopeless, plainness (plain + ness), badly  merriment, happiness, plentiful, penniless, happily
Contractions	In contractions, the apostrophe shows where a letter or letters would be if the words were written in full (e.g. can't - cannot).  It's means it is (e.g. It's raining) or sometimes it has (e.g. It's been raining), but it's is never used for the possessive.	can't, didn't, hasn't, couldn't, it's, I'll
The possessive apostrophe (singular nouns)		Megan's, Ravi's, the girl's, the child's, the man's
Words ending in -tion		station, fiction, motion, national, section

Statutory requirements	Rules and guidance (non-statutory)	Example words (non-statutory)
Homophones and near- homophones	It is important to know the difference in meaning between homophones.	there/their/they're, here/hear, quite/quiet, see/sea, bare/bear, one/won, sun/son, to/too/two, be/bee blue/blew, night/knight
Common exception words	Some words are exceptions in some accents but not in others – e.g. past, last, fast, path and bath are not exceptions in accents where the a in these words is pronounced /œ/, as in cat.  Great, break and steak are the only common words where the /ei/ sound is spelt ea.	door, floor, poor, because, find, kind, mind, behind, child, children*, wild, climb, most, only, both, old, cold, gold, hold, told, every, everybody, even, great, break, steak, pretty, beautiful, after, fast, last, past, father, class, grass, pass, plant, path, bath, hour, move, prove, improve, sure, sugar, eye could, should, would, who, whole, any, many, clothes, busy, people, water, again, half, money, Mr, Mrs, parents, Christmas - and/or others according to programme used.  Note: 'children' is not an exception to what has been taught so far but is included because of its relationship with 'child'.