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### Welcome to Class 2

#### **Class Teacher** – Mrs Smith

Welcome to Class 2! My name is Mrs Smith and I am so looking forward to teaching you in September. I started working at Spofforth Primary School as a General Teaching Assistant in February this year but before this had been teaching for 5 years. This is my second career because for over 20 years I worked mainly in York as a Solicitor. This was a very busy and interesting job, full of challenges. However, I had always had a passion for moving into education and teaching young children. So, I decided to retrain as a teacher and qualified in 2019.

I have loved every minute of my time at Spofforth Primary School. The staff have been so kind and friendly and all the children are an absolute delight.

I have been lucky enough to spend some time teaching in Class 1 and meeting the children who I will be teaching in September. In addition to this, because I have been working in Class 2, I know all the children who will be moving from year 1 to year 2. I have seen how hard they have all been working, watched them flourish and use their amazing imaginations! It is going to be so much fun in Class 2. We will learn lots but in an enjoyable way.

I love teaching all subjects and my aim is to make all lessons lively and exciting with plenty of challenges. I will be making a few changes to the classroom for September. There will be provision areas which will help ease the reception children into the year 1 learning experience and there will be plenty of rewards for any child that is showing the school's values of love, learn and thrive. I will also have an endless supply of super stickers to hand out!

When I am not in school, I love spending time with family and friends. I enjoy bike riding with my son, baking, gardening and going on sightseeing holidays. I have a black and white cat called Mittens (he has white paws), he is incredibly mischievous and loves to meow a lot. If only I could understand what he is saying!

I hope that you have a wonderful summer with plenty of rest.

#### **Mrs Smith – Class 2 Teacher**

### Topics and Curriculum Coverage Next Year

Each term you will receive a curriculum overview with details of all the coverage for that term More detailed overviews can be found on the school website. If you have any questions/queries about any of the topics then please just ask. <https://follifootandspofforth.co.uk/curriculum-intent-implementation/>

Phonics/Spellings, Maths and English will be taught daily in Class 2 and these usually take place during the morning. In the afternoon we will be teaching our foundation subjects which are blocked together.

### How you can support your child at home

The children work very hard whilst they are in school and it is important they have time to rest when at home. However, if you would like to support you child at home, then daily reading will help to improve their

fluency. On the School website (Spofforth Class 2 page) there is a document with pre learning ideas for both year 1 and 2 to help prepare them for September. These suggestions will ideally be undertaken a couple of weeks leading up to the start of term in September. This will really help focus the children into the learning zone in preparation for when the term begins. If you need any further support with work/ideas of things to do at home, then please ask and I will be happy to help.

**Other class routines including PE**

PE - PE lessons will be on a Thursday and Friday. Your child will need to come into school wearing their full PE kit on these days.

On other days can you please make sure your children wear full school uniform including the correct shoes (not trainers). Please also make sure all clothes/school bags are labelled with your child's name to avoid them getting lost. For any children who have long hair, please make sure that their hair is tied up for the start of every school day. Also please make sure that you child comes with a water bottle. Fruit will be available at break time but the children can bring their own healthy snack if they wish.