## YR2 MEASUREMENT KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER

## Key Concepts

- choose and use appropriate standard units to estimate and measure
length/height in any direction
mass
temperature
capacity (litres/ml)
to the nearest appropriate unit, using rulers, scales, thermometers and measuring vessels
- compare and order lengths, mass volume/capacity and record the results using >, < and =


## Key Vocabulary

- metres/centimetres (m/cm)
- kilograms/grams (kg/g)
- litres/millilitres (l, ml)
- Degrees Celsius $\left({ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)^{*}$
- more than/less than
- taller/tallest
- longer/longest
- shorter/shortest
- heavier/lighter/heaviest/lightest
- warm/cold/warmer/colder


## Choose Appropriate Standard Units

Moving on from YR1's non-standard units, in YR2 the focus is on standard units of measure.

## Length

Using metres helps to develop an understanding of the measurement of larger objects within and beyond the classroom.


The next step is to recognise that a metre is not an appropriate way to measure smaller items.
Introducing a ruler at this stage supports this further. There is a skill involved with measuring using a ruler.

To be accurate, the object needs to be lined carefully with the 0 , not the end of the ruler.


After measuring with both metres and centimetres, decisions can be made about the suitability of equipment to measure.


## Mass

In a similar way to length, mass is explored with larger units first and approximate measurements can be used on both balance and measuring scales.


## The melon weighs more than 2 kg .

To develop this skill further, smaller units can be introduced to weigh lighter objects. Again, both types of scales can be used.


The duck weighs 150 g .
Following on from this work, it is then possible to choose the appropriate unit of measure to weigh items based on an estimation of how heavy the object is.


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In Year 2, there is no expectation for any units of measure to be mixed.

For example, describing an object as 2 m and 20 cm in length is not necessary. Children work using metres or centimetres, so the object would simply be described as more than 2 m .

## Temperature

Using thermometers, scales are explored further. The unit 'degrees Celsius' is used as the standard unit. The higher the number on the scale, the warmer the item being measured.
Comparisons can be made between different objects.


The orange juice is $10^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The water is $20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The water is warmer than the orange.

Capacity and Volume
The standard unit of volume, used to begin with, is a litre. This can be used to fill other vessels to describe their capacity.

For example


The cup contains less than 11 of milk.


The bottle has a capacity of 2 litres.
Measuring in millilitres is a more accurate way of measuring which involves reading of scales.

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## Compare and Order

Once skills of measuring have been secured, it is possible to combine them with the skill of using $<,>$ and = learnt earlier in the year to compare two objects:


The burger is heavier than the cake.


Ordering involves measuring more objects and then organising according to the results:

jelly bean < chew < lollipop

