



# Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter

## Summer term 2018



Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed your holidays. Below is a selection of the areas that your child will be studying over the next term.

### **English**

This term we will be looking at animal adventure stories with children creating their very own story. The focus for grammar will be on using expanded noun phrases, suffixes and ensuring punctuation is used correctly.

### **Maths**

This term we will be focussing on developing reasoning skills. In preparation for our SATs at the end of the year, we will be revising all topics including arithmetic, fractions, measures and statistics. In addition, children should know their 2, 5, 10 and 3 times tables in a random order.

### **Geography**

In the first half of the Summer term we will be learning all about London and looking at urban and rural areas. We will have the opportunity to write postcards, non-chronological reports and using maths within our geography.

In the second half of the Summer term we will be focussing on settlements in Geography. We will be learning about early settlements and what factors have influenced where communities have settled in the past. We will also be looking at modern settlements and the difference between towns and cities. We will be writing letters, postcards and explanation texts.

### **Computing**

This half term we will be focussing on Programming and creating our own program. Later on in the term, we will be focussing on communication and collaboration.

### **Science**

Our first topic this term is 'Our Changing World' where we will be learning about different habitats and how animals adapt and grow to suit their environment. We will be investigating the life cycle of a butterfly and observing the transformation within the classroom. In the second part of the Summer term, we will be studying 'Growing up' focussing on the basic needs of animals and humans and how they grow.

### **PSHCE**

Pupils learn PSHCE through daily reflection activities, assemblies and PSHCE days which are held half termly. This term our topic is all about building a network of friends and the skills needed, as well as a focus on growing and changing in Summer 2.

### **RE**

In RE we will be learning all about our world and caring for new life with a focus on the world around us, life cycles and caring for the environment. Through our RE topic we will be promoting children's learning and understanding of the world. In every RE lesson there will always be a grammar focus.

### **In Year 2 we expect children to:**

- Read every day for 10 minutes at least and ensure an adult signs their reading record every day.
- Practise their 2, 5, 10 and 3 time tables in a random order.
- Practise their handwriting, spellings every week.
- Take responsibility for their learning.
- Follow school rules at all times and follow the core ARA values-  
**Respect, Honesty and Kindness**

### **REMINDER**

**Homework** with a focus on spellings and times tables will be sent home on Tuesdays. Encourage your children to use the 'read, say, write, check' method when supporting your child to learn their spellings.

Full **PE kit** should be brought into school on a Monday and left in all week. Children should take it home on Friday to be washed.

Please come and speak to any member of the Year 2 team if you have any questions.