

Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter Spring Term 2022



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

Class texts

In our English Unit, we will be reading Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the bus by Mo Willems. In our whole class reading lessons, we will be exploring a selection of fiction and non-fiction texts with a specific focus on developing vocabulary, retrieval, and inference skills. At the end of day, we will be reading David Walliams The Beast of Buckingham Palace.

English

This term, we will be looking at the writing genre of persuasion. We will produce a persuasive advert. In the second half of the term, we will be exploring Where the Poppies Now Grow and we will be writing a recount linked to the text.

Science

Our first topic this term is 'Take Care'. We will be learning all about how to look after our bodies and observing the effects of exercise. In the second half of spring term, we will be answering the question: What do plants need to help them grow?

Geography

In this term we will be exploring the United Kingdom to find out which country is our favourite and why. We will be focusing on the differences and key features of each country. We will also practise our map skills and use atlases to help us locate areas on a map.

Maths

This term we will continue to develop our mental maths skills by focusing on our times tables, number bonds and mental calculation. Children must know their number bonds to 100 /times tables (2,3, 5 and 10s) by the end of this year. Please continue working on these at home. The main foci of this term is multiplication and division.

History

This term, we will be learning about the significant figures in history. Our historical analysis skills will be developed by gathering content, processing information then communicating and presenting these in a variety of ways. We will be focusing on answering the question: 'Why should we be thankful for nurses in the past?'

Computing

This term we will begin to learn basic computer skills such as touch typing, operating computer programs for a purpose and accessing information on the internet. We will continue to focus on internet safety such as protecting personal data and passwords. In Spring 2 we will begin to learn how to follow and create basic code using Purple Mash.

RE

In this term will be learning about Humanism. We will explore the question: 'How does Humanism help us to care for one another?' Pupils will be given the opportunity to relate their learning to aspects of their own life.

PSHCE

PSHCE is taught through daily reflections, assemblies and PSHCE days. This term's themes, such as community and belonging will be explored.

REMINDER

- **Read** every day for 15 minutes at least and ensure an adult sign their reading record every day. Once the child has read they should write a sentence about what they have read using the sentence starters printed in the reading records.
- Practise their times tables on TTRS.
- Practise their **spellings** ready for their test each Monday.
- **Homework** is sent home on Fridays and must be returned on or before the following Wednesday.
- Authorised Full PE kit should be worn on a Monday and Tuesday for Lobster Class. It should be worn on a Tuesday and Friday for Owl Class and a Tuesday and Thursday for Koala Class.

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