

Curriculum Newsletter: Year 2 (Spring Term 2)

Mathematics:

In mathematics children will be investigating fractions. They will learn to recognise common fractions and will find fractions of quantities. Children will learn to recognise 2D and 3D shapes and their properties. They will learn some different units for measuring length and will solve problems using practical and written methods. Children will continue to develop their mental arithmetic skills, including 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables. They will apply their knowledge to a wide range of problems.

Science:

They children will be introduced to the Solar System and the order of the planets. This work will link to a focus on light and dark and the seasons. Children will consider different sources of electricity and respond to challenges to set up a range of electrical circuits.

Religious Education:

During this half term children will continue to learn about the world religion of Judaism. The focus will move to places of worship and the synagogue. Finally, we will end the term by learning about Easter and the Christian message at Easter and symbols associated with Easter. We look forward to tasting some hot cross buns!
Children will also participate in Collective Worship sessions daily covering a range of topical themes.

Music:

Children will participate in weekly whole school singing assemblies. Children will be learning about rhythm, pulse and pitch whilst learning songs and playing musical instruments.

Art / Design and Technology:

The children will be learning how to create pieces of art using print and apply this to their work on the moon and space.

English:

Children will be writing stories in an imaginary setting based on 'Aliens Love Underpants'. They will also use Julia Donaldson books as their inspiration for writing stories. Children will continue to develop their grammatical knowledge through the texts used. They will continue to practice their cursive handwriting. In Big Writing, children will continue to write in different genres to build their vocabulary, punctuation and sentence building skills. We will read texts by Roald Dahl for pleasure.

Physical Education:

Children will continue to access two sessions of PE each week. In games our focus will move towards throwing and catching. Children will develop their basic skill on their own and with a partner. They will then apply these skills in small games situations.
In gymnastics the theme will be rocking and rolling. Children will develop skills and sequences on the floor and then on apparatus.

Computing:

Children will continue learning how to use spreadsheets. Children will understand what rows and columns are and will learn how to use tools to total them. Children will then learn how to add amounts using a spreadsheet and will create a table and a block graph.

PSHE:

The children will consider the theme 'good to be me'. They will focus on the positives and recognise and value their talents.
We will continue to reinforce the internet safety messages introduced at the end of last half term.

Spring 2 Term Topic Out of this World

The main focus for this topic will be learning about the solar system and the what is beyond earth.



Geography / History:

We will continue to reinforce our knowledge of the world and universe. The children will learn about the start and development of travel into space. They will plot the main events on a timeline. They will focus upon Neil Armstrong and his achievements. Children will look at aerial photographs and consider their uses.

Homework:

Weekly English and Mathematics homework will be set
Weekly spellings will be sent home and children are expected to read daily at home.

Dates for your diary:

7th March—World Book Day
15th March—Red Nose Day
4th April—Bike It Breakfast