

English

In our English lessons, we will begin by looking closely at our grammar and punctuation. This will ensure that we have a solid foundation to build upon when completing writing units throughout the year. During the second half of the autumn term, children will complete several writing units including a non-chronological report about minibeasts, a letter and wanted poster based on Little Red Riding Hood and a narrative based on the Three Little Pigs.

Children will continue to have a daily phonics session and a daily guided reading session. They will learn new sounds and revisit old sounds, will practise decoding texts and develop fluency and comprehension. These texts will then be sent home each Friday for you to practise at home to further develop fluency.

Science: Living Things and their Habitats -

During this unit of work, children will learn how to identify what is living, dead or never been alive. They will also learn about different types of habitats around the world and look for minibeasts in a microhabitat within the school grounds. Finally, they will also begin to learn about food chains.

Seasonal Changes - In this unit, children will build on their year one learning about patterns and cycles. They will learn about how the length of the day changes throughout the year, how animals survive in different seasons and how plants, animals and humans show growth, change and rest at different times of the year.

Materials - In this unit, children will learn about different everyday materials and identify their properties. They will explore how different materials are better suited for different tasks as well as how the materials can be changed by squashing, bending twisting and stretching them.

Computing: In the autumn term, children will learn about the IT in school and around the world. They will also learn about what makes a good photograph.

Dates for your diary...

Tues 13th October - School photo day
Mon 19th October - Harvest festival
Fri 23rd October - break up for half term
Mon 2nd November - back to school
Tue 10th and Wed 11th November - pupil progress meetings
Tue 1st December - KS1 attendance disco
Tues 15th December - KS1 Nativity
Fri 18th December- break up for half term/ Christmas jumper day

Homework

Spelling logs and Monster Phonics reading books will be sent home each Friday for children to practise. Please ensure that these are returned each Friday. Please also continue to practise Maths skills using Numbots. Family Maths Scrapbooks will be sent home every other Friday.

Autumn Term Curriculum Newsletter

A very warm welcome back to
you all!

Our year 2 team:
Miss Hughes, Mrs Kumar and Miss Baker



History & Geography: Our History work this term will focus on technology. The children will begin thinking about the technology they use in their own life and then about the technology used in the last 60 years. They will make comparisons between the two time periods and discuss how the advances in technology have impacted our lives. Our geography learning this term will involve the children learning about our local area.

Art: In the autumn term, the children will engage in a drawing and collage unit where they will develop their understanding of pattern. They will create a variety of monochromatic patterns and look at animals, mosaic flooring, wallpaper and mehndi designs. They will also learn from the work of artists and designers.

DT: The children will begin practicing their sewing skills as they make a minibeast bookmark. They will practice their running, threading and cross-stitching.

Maths

In maths this term we will begin with looking at place value. Children will identify multiples of ten, represent numbers 20-99 and compare and order them. They will also add and subtract numbers up to 100 and begin practicing counting in their 2, 5 and 10 times table.

Useful Websites:

Numbots (this is already in operation - if you require new login details please see Mr Farley)

Hit the button: <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

P.E.

In PE this term children will focus on a range of multi skills activities and also gymnastics.

Music

Children will learn call and response using West African animals. They will also use orchestral instruments in traditional western stories.

P.S.H.E.

Children will be learning about the British Values to begin with before moving onto thinking about mental health. After this, they will then move onto online safety.

RE

Our RE work this term focuses on forgiveness and sharing across a range of different religions. They will learn also learn about Christmas and Diwali.