



Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter Spring 2018

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English and Mathematics

In literacy we will be looking at traditional stories. We will be focusing on character descriptions and developing our writing of stories in the traditional style through 'Talk for Writing'. We will look at instructions and explanation texts.

We have daily phonic lessons in which your child will learn to read and write common words and learn new sounds to help them when reading and writing unfamiliar words. We will be working on Phase 6.

We have daily guided reading sessions. We will be looking at a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts, and developing comprehension skills.

In maths we cover a variety of different concepts.

- Using a number line to add and subtract by counting on and back.
- Developing use of multiplication and division skills (learn 2x, 5x, 10x tables).
- Solving simple word problems involving addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
- Partitioning two and three digit numbers into hundreds, tens and units.
- Using standard units of measure.
- Reading analogue time; o clock, ½ past, 1/4 to and ¼ past, & 5 minute intervals past and to.
- Naming 2D and 3D shapes and describing their properties.
- Recognising the value of coins and finding the total. Introducing giving change.

PE and Games information

Year 2 P.E day is Wednesday. Please ensure your child has appropriate kit in school and ensure that their plimsolls fit and if girls are wearing tights to have a spare pair of socks. Children should wear shorts and t-shirt for indoor PE and outdoor activities. Could you also ensure that long hair is tied back and earrings are taken out on P.E days.

R.E

Your child will be learning about the Christian festival of Easter.

Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE)

Your child will learn about relationships with adults and peers.

Computing

Your child will learn to program software and a robot to follow a route.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Spelling test. Literacy	Literacy
B R E A K				
Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths
L U N C H				
Theme	Theme/ PHSE	P.E	Theme	Theme/ Hand-writing
Theme	Music/ Library	P.E	Theme	Social time

AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS

History

Famous explorers:

Christopher Columbus

Captain Vancouver James Cook

Scott of the Antarctic

Amy Johnson

Life on board ship

Geography

Use of symbols on maps.

Continents and oceans of the world.

Physical and human features around the world.

Mapping Gaywood

Science

Properties of materials- Fair testing.

Healthy lifestyle.

DT

Sew and decorate a hand puppet.

Art

Aboriginal paintings.

Seascapes in the style of famous artists.

Totem poles.

Key dates for the diary

We hope to visit Kings Lynn Museum for a morning session on 'Captain Vancouver' on Tuesday 6th March 2018.

Freshwater Theatre visit on Tuesday 6th February 2018 – 'Crossing Continents and Oceans'.

Help your child learn

Listen to your child read and discuss the text with them. This will help them with their understanding.

Practise weekly spellings. Please encourage your child to write their words in sentences.

Practise joined handwriting.

Count with your child in steps of 2, 5 and 10.

Learn number bonds to 10, 20.

Practice mental maths skills.

Work on telling the time using an analogue clock.

Homework

We encourage children to read everyday at home.

Your child will have spellings to learn. We have regular spelling tests on a Thursday. We want your child to be able to learn the spellings and then apply them in their writing.

Your child will have weekly maths homework and a theme challenge for the term.

Other information

Reading books and diaries need to be in school every day. Please remember to sign the diary each time your child reads.