

Year 2 Overview for Spring 2

Reading:

Children will continue with whole class reading linked to our focus texts.
Reading common exception words on sight and applying them in writing.
Reading words accurately without over blending.
Reading a range of fiction and non-fiction text and answering questions from it, identifying characters, setting and the plot
Thinking of their own questions from the text using question words.
Retelling familiar stories and understanding their structure.

Please remember to bring your book bag to school everyday!



Phonics:

Children will continue to learn word recognition skills through targeted phonics teaching following the 'Letters and Sounds' programme.

Science: This half term we will be learning about plants. We will be observing how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. We will find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.



Learning for Life:

Topic: People that Paved the Way
Learning through: History and Art

This half term we will focus on Space Travel. We will explore space and astronauts such as Neil Armstrong, Tim Peake and Mae Jemison. Also, we will look at the artist Lucien Rudaux to create our own paintings of the different planets.

RE:

In RE we will focus on the dispositions 'Appreciating Beauty' and 'Creating Unity and Harmony'. We will explore what makes our world such a special place and how we can celebrate the similarities and differences between us all.

Computing:

Our topic for this half term is 'We are Games Testers'. We will discover how simple Scratch games work, look at free online games and share their favourite games with the class. We will continue to learn about how to stay safe online.

Writing:

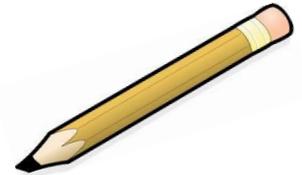
This half term, children will be looking at 2 different genres.

Writing to inform (Recount): Look up!

Writing to entertain (Stories from the same author): Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch and Lighthouse Keeper's Catastrophe

We will be concentrating on:

- Using capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks.
- Using powerful adjectives and verbs to make our writing more interesting
- Extending sentences using 'and', 'because' and 'but'
- Simple and compound sentences
- Using story language
- Using time connectives
- Using different sentence openers



Numeracy:

We will introduce:

- 2D and 3D shapes and their properties
- Fractions
- Measurement- length and height



We will continue to look at:

- Counting backwards and forwards in 2s, 5s and 10s
- 10x, 2x and 5x tables
- The four operations - pictorial and abstract
- All work will involve problem solving

PE:

We will continue to have P.E every Thursday morning. We will develop our listening and co-operation skills through our 'team-building' unit. We will also start a new unit where we will learn different ways to send and receive a ball.

