



Year 2 Curriculum Overview Spring Term 2

English

The children will explore a range of grammar to support their writing skills including word classes, sentence types and coordinating (and, or, but, so) and subordinating (because, that, if, when) conjunctions. Pupils will have many writing opportunities when learning about legends and fairy tales. Pupils will also look at non-chronological reports about nocturnal animals and our geography unit about the World.

Maths

This half term focuses on units of measure including length, height, weight, volume and temperature. The unit introduces children to new vocabulary such as weight in grams or kilograms and degrees celsius. Pupils will use and continue to develop their knowledge of place value and the four arithmetic operations through explicit lessons on these as well as through word and reasoning problems involving measure.

Guided reading texts: The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark by J.Tomlinson and The Girl in the Window by N. Dhami

Science

Children will be looking at human and animal life cycles. They will learn what animals need to survive and thrive at each stage of development. Children will also gain knowledge about human health, hygiene and the benefits of exercise. Pupils will be honing their working scientifically skills by measuring using scientific equipment, recording results in a table and using data to answer questions.

Humanities -Geography

This term, the children will look at different geographical characteristics of the UK. They will explore some of the World's most amazing places as well as the five oceans. The children will understand how to draw human and physical features on a map. Later on in the term, they will investigate local habitats and record their key findings in a bar chart.

Design Technology

This term, pupils will be Food Technology. We will start the unit by looking at what makes a balanced plate and a healthy diet. Using this knowledge, pupils will be taste testing to design a healthy wrap. Children will be exposed to different kitchen utensils and learn how to safely use them. At the end of term, the children will get to make, eat and evaluate their own wrap following a design criteria.

Computing

Pupils will explore what 'blocks' do, using the app 'ScratchJr,' by carrying out an informative cycle of predict, test and review. Pupils will get the opportunity to program a familiar story and an animation of an animal, children make their own musical instrument by creating recording sounds as well as following an algorithm to record a joke.

Music

This half term, pupils will be listening and responding creatively to music themed around space. They will use musical terminology to describe the differences between songs, using songs to inform drawings, as well as creating pitch patterns and short compositions based on the planets.

RE

Children will be learning about prophets and understanding how people's opinions of prophets have changed overtime. Pupils will explore the promises God has made and explore common prophets in Christian, Jewish and Muslim worldviews. Pupils will explore the Night Story. Children will also look at the role of a guru and how it may be similar to a prophet.

PE

For indoor PE, pupils will develop their skills in dance and gymnastics including strength, balance and flexibility through dance to the theme of water. They will work in groups to sequence their movements into a dance. In outdoor PE, pupils will advance their foot skills. They will develop dribbling using their feet in order to keep control and possession of the ball.

PSHE

For PSHE, pupils will begin the Citizenship unit and will look at the importance of rules. They will also look at the role people have in making a difference to the school environment, the wider environment and also within the local community. They will explore the role of different people within communities too.

Assembly Themes

Children will learn about the school value of **courtesy** this half term through our assemblies. They will also learn about the significance of Easter for Christians and celebrate World Book Day and Science Week.

