



Year 2 Autumn 1st half term

In our Year 2 class we strive to ensure the best learning experiences for all children and provide a broad and balanced curriculum.

We take into account the needs of all children within the class ensuring we set challenges that will support children in reaching their full potential.

Our Year 2 staff are:

Mrs. Crook – Year 2 Teacher

Mrs. Islam – Teaching Assistant

This Term we will be learning about:

Geography: Our Wonderful World

Science: Plants

Art and Design: Sophie Harding / painting

Religious Education: Islam

Computing: Digital Citizenship

PSHE: Families and Friendships

English

In Year 2 children will be looking at different types of texts to begin to build on their reading comprehension and how to use this information to support their writing. This half-term we will be focusing on traditional tales, recounts, fact files and poetry. Children will also be given the opportunity to build on their basic skills in guided reading sessions, practising their handwriting and the use of spelling, punctuation, vocabulary and grammar.

We will use the books; Little Red Riding Hood, Little Red and Inside the Villains to inform our writing.

Reading

Reading is such an important part of learning that we strongly encourage sharing books at home.

5 minutes a day can make a big difference.

Within school we read daily and children have continuous access to books and reading materials.

Year Two have phonics and spelling lessons most days.

In Year Two we read in groups three times a week. Our children take home their reading book and we ask that parents read with their children at home 4 times a week as well as signing their diary.

Within school we read and share books daily as a class. We also have themed reading areas where children can choose to sit and enjoy sharing books alone or with friends or teachers.

Maths

In Maths this half-term, we will be focusing on number and place value. We will also practice addition and subtraction. Towards the end of half term we will learn about division and fractions. Please keep practising the multiplication and division facts for the 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables as this will strengthen your child's understanding of number. Your child has brought home their 'Times tables Rockstars' login details to practice at home too!

Physical Education

Year 2 will be working on their agility, balance, coordination and dance skills with our coach from 'Key PE Sports', with a lesson every Tuesday. They will have a second P.E. lesson on Thursday.

Children must have their PE kit kept in school at all times.

They will need a pair of black shorts/joggers/leggings, a white t-shirt and a pair of pumps. Earrings need to be removed for PE lessons, please take them out at home before coming to school.



Useful Websites:

We use lots of different learning resources and websites in school.

Your child will have login information to use for PurpleMash.

<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/gilnow>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zcqqtftr>

www.ictgames.co.uk

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=37>

Homework

Homework projects are given out at the start of the half term. Children are expected to be supported at home to complete as many of these tasks as they can, then return them to school before the end of the half term.

Essential Weekly Homework:

Read your school reading book at home at least 4 times a week

Practice your spellings or key words

Practice your 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables and number bonds to 10, 20 and 100

(including using TT Rock Stars and NumBots)

Other Reminders:

Labels – Please ensure that all clothes have names inside.

Water Bottles - Please bring these in every day.