

Year 2 Curriculum Map Autumn 1st Half 2024

English

Children will read and retell fables focusing on using the correct punctuation. We will learn the terms 'noun' and 'adjective' and use descriptive vocabulary to make our retellings interesting to a reader. In phonics we will consolidate Year 1 learning by applying them to reading and writing. In handwriting we will learn the cursive letter shapes in handwriting families.

Maths

In Maths our focus will be on place value. We'll start by counting and representing numbers to 100 in different ways. Moving on to partitioning numbers using place value charts and part-whole models. We'll order and compare numbers, count in twos, fives and tens and learn about odd and even numbers. In the latter part of the half term we will learn addition strategies for adding tens and multiples of ten.

Science

This half term our topic is 'Animals including humans: Growth.' Children will explore the needs of all animals for survival. They will explore the importance of eating a healthy diet. They will learn about the food groups and what a balanced diet looks like. Children will investigate the effects of exercise on their bodies and learn to record their results in simple tables. They will also learn about the importance of hygiene. We will plant bulbs this term in preparation for Spring.

Personal, Social, Health Education

We will focus on how to be a good friend and strategies for positive play. We will explore why arguments happen and how to resolve them and we will think about how to ask for help.

Through computing, we will extend the ideas of friendship, responsibility and asking for help into the virtual world to support children to build healthy relationships both on and offline.

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Computing

We will learn to use technology safely and respectfully, keeping personal information private. Through the use of Purple Mash applications we will also learn to log on, save and retrieve work.

Religious Education

We consider why light is an important symbol for Christians, Jews and Hindus. Children will learn how light is used in the Christian celebration of Christingle, the Jewish celebration of Hanukkah and the Hindu celebration of Diwali. They will listen to stories from all three religions and discuss the similarities and differences between the ways light is represented in each religion.

Art

Children will be taught about the elements of Art; line, shape, value, texture, space and form. We will experiment with using line to create patterns, shapes and textures. We will explore different media and make sketches.

Geography

We will name and locate the seven continents and the five oceans of the world. We will be thinking about hot and cold areas of the world.

Music

In music we will learn about the elements of music. We will listen to lots of different genres and respond to music in different ways.

Physical Education

Gymnastics: Children will learn to perform the gymnastics shapes and link them together with control. They will use these shapes to create jumps and balances which they will link. **Ball Skills:** Children will learn to dribble and ball with hands and feet, demonstrating increasing control. They will send and receive balls through throwing and kicking and will roll and throw to hit a target.