

Year 2 Curriculum Map Autumn 2nd Half 2024

English

This half term we will focus on two types of writing; letters and recounts. Children will recount the events around the Gunpowder Plot and the Rosa Parks boycott. In letter writing, we will learn about the features of a letter and will write their own letters to real and imagined characters. Our letters will include the four sentence types; statement, command, question and exclamation.

Maths

Children will learn different strategies for adding and subtracting ones, and then tens to a 2-digit number. We will then move on to adding multiples of ten to two digit numbers. Children use objects and place value equipment initially and as they become confident, move on to using pictures followed by the introduction of written methods. We will also learn to recognise, name and compare 2D and 3D shapes, using vocabulary such as 'faces, vertices, and edges.

Science

This half term our topic is 'Uses of everyday materials'. Children will learn to identify materials and their uses. They will select materials according to their properties to build a bridge. We will conduct a simple experiment to test to compare the stretchiness of different materials and we will explore how materials can be changed by bending, twisting and squashing.

Personal, Social, Health Education

We will think about what makes us special. We will explore the ways in which people are different and learn to celebrate this. We will talk about how to play so that everybody is included and what to do if we are feeling left out. We will talk about acts of kindness and the impact they can have on others and ourselves.

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Religious Education

We will be asking the question, 'What does the Nativity story teach Christians about Jesus?' We will compare the gospels of Luke and Matthew from the Bible. We will get to know the Nativity story really well through our Christmas performance. We will consider why Jesus is important to Christians and how they show that. We will learn about advent and how Christians consider being charitable as important.

Computing

In Computing we are thinking about communication. We will learn how to use email safely and will even add attachments!

Physical Education

Invasion Games: We will learn the difference between attacking and defending. We will also learn strategies for gaining possession and simple tactics.

Dance: The theme for Dance will be 'Secret Garden', children will repeat and link actions to tell a story through dance. They will learn to use counts of eight to keep in time with the music.

Design Technology

We will build on our learning about mechanisms, designing and making a toy with wheels and axles. We will learn how to attach a sale and will test and evaluate our product to check it meets the design criteria.

History

Our theme will be 'Activists'. We will learn about significant individuals such as Rosa Parks and Emmeline Pankhurst who contributed to bringing about positive change.

Music

In music we will use our voices expressively, learning to project and perform when we are singing. We will have a Christmas performance!