

Year 2 Newsletter - Spring 1

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year to you all and welcome back! It is amazing how quickly the academic year is going, and it is wonderful watching your children blossom and progress as the year goes on. This newsletter outlines all of the learning that your child will be doing during this half term. We hope that you find it useful.

Mrs Arshad & Mrs Hussain

 English	This half term Y2 will be focusing on poetry and narrative. We are reading the poem: What Happens When, and shall be writing our own poems based on wonder questions of our own. In our narrative writing we shall be writing our own journey tale using the text 'The Woods'. Our Shared Reading text will be 'Space Race' by Malorie Blackman and focusing on the theme of boasting and friendship. Our author of the term is the poet - Spike Milligan. https://openlibrary.org/ - This is a free online library where you can access a range of books.
 Maths	During this half term, children will be focusing on money and multiplication and division. We will be counting and making amounts with various coins as well as calculating and solving 2 step money word problems. In multiplication and division, we will also be making the connection between repeated addition and multiplication.
 Science	This half term, the children will be learning about plants in Science. We will have the opportunity to explore a wide range of plants as identifying and naming the parts of a plant.
 RE	During RE, the we will be exploring the topic: 'Who is a Muslim and how do they live?.'
 Computing	In Computing, children will be focusing on Programming A - Robot algorithms. This will broaden the children's understanding of instructions in sequences and the use of logical reasoning to predict outcomes. The children will use given commands in different orders to investigate how the order affects the outcome. They will also learn about design in programming.
 History	In History, children will be looking at the question: How did we learn to fly? The children will be identifying important events surrounding the history of flight and explaining how a significant event has changed the lives of others.
 Art	During Art, children will be covering the unit: Life in colour. This unit focuses on teaching primary and secondary colours, colour mixing, and creating textures using different tools. It also covers collage techniques, encouraging pupils to experiment with materials and evaluate their artistic choices
 PE	During this half term, children will be focusing on Dance. PE will take place on Monday mornings, please ensure that your children come to school in their correct PE kits: navy blue or black joggers/shorts/leggings and a plain white t-shirt, and trainers. Please ensure that children come to school in the correct PE kit and that earrings are removed or covered.
 Music	In Music, children will be focusing on singing. They will be learning folk songs and creating sounds to represent three contrasting landscapes: seaside, countryside and city.
Phonics	In Phonics, this term, children will spell and read words containing the target sounds. They will also continue to develop their knowledge that a sound can be represented by one or more spelling.
PSHE	In PSHE, this half term, children will be focusing on: hygiene and keeping safe.



Attendance

In order for your child to get the best out of school and maximise their learning, please make sure your child is **on time for school** and comes to school every day. School starts at **8.40am**.

THANK YOU