

Year 2 Newsletter - Spring 2

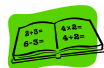
Dear Parents,

Thank you for your continued support and working alongside us.

Can you believe, we are more than half way through the academic year already?

Below are some of the areas that we will be covering this term, we hope that you find it useful.

Ms Peplow and Mrs Kainth

 English	This half term we will continue to focus on our narrative writing using a journey tale based on the text, 'The Woods'. We shall then focus on non-fiction writing and how to write instructions based on the story: How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth by Michelle Robinson. Our Shared Reading text will be 'Space Race' by Malorie Blackman and we will continue to focus on the theme of boasting and friendship. Our author of the term is 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 length and height and measuring these using metres. Children will also be learning about mass, capacity and temperature and using appropriate units of measure for each. Children by the end, shall be able to order and compare each of these.
 Science	In Science, this half term, children will be learning about: Living things and their habitats. We will be exploring how things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other.
 RE	During RE, children shall look at the following the Understanding Christianity syllabus, focusing on salvation. We will be looking at the following dispositions: Compassion: Being merciful and Forgiving and Community: Participating and willing to lead.
 Computing	In Computing, children will be focusing on Programming: Robot algorithms. This unit develops children's understanding of instructions in sequences and the use of logical reasoning to predict outcomes. We will use given commands in different orders to investigate how the order affects the outcome.
 Geography	In Geography, children will be looking at the question: Why is our world wonderful? We shall be identifying and locating characteristics of the UK on a map as well as identifying human and physical features. We will also explain the difference between oceans and seas.
 Art	This term we are really excited to have an artist in residence come in and teach art! She will be focusing Henry Moore and Elicia Edijanto, and developing our drawing and painting skills, every Thursday afternoon.
 PE	During this half term, children will be focusing on 'Attacking and Defending' and applying these skills in various team games. 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 contrasting dynamics. They will be developing their knowledge and understanding of dynamics using instruments; learning to compose and play rhythms to represent planets.
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: Changing and Growing and Healthy Lifestyles.



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