

In Spring 1, Year 2 we will be learning...

English

Read Write Inc or Literature Works will be taught daily incorporating reading, punctuation, grammar and spelling knowledge. The children will also take part in regular whole-class guided reading sessions as well as being heard to read individually. They will focus on fiction writing, exploring characters, setting and story structure. We will be learning to use varied sentence openers, conjunctions, adjectives and similes in order to develop writing style. Children will also become familiar with non-fiction texts relating to our Castles topic.

Maths

Children will continue to develop their skills in number and calculations. This half term the children will learn multiplication and division as well as strategies to solve these calculations. Children will also look at money focusing on counting money, calculating change and comparing amounts. We will also continue to develop number fluency through mastering number sessions.

Science

In science, we will continue to study everyday materials including identifying materials, investigating their suitability for different roles and understanding how we can change their shape.



Geography

This half term we will focus on hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the equator and the North and South Poles. We will look at world maps, atlases and a globe to identify the equator and poles as well as naming and locating the 7 continents and 5 oceans. We will also recap simple compass directions (North, South, East and West).

R.E & PSHCE

In R.E children will go deeper in their learning about the Gospel and they will be discussing what the good news is, that Jesus brings.

In PSHE we will be looking at 'understanding the law' with topics including the questions: What are needs and wants? What is a job? What is money? What is the internet? Why does age matter?

Music

This half term we will continue to have our Music lessons with Mrs Milner, focussing on pitch, rhythm and tempo.

Computing

Children will explore digital art creation through the use of a digital art tool - 2Paint A Picture. They will learn about famous art styles and how a digital art tool can be used to reproduce art in that style. Children will also learn about the flexibility of digital art and how it can be shared with an audience electronically.

P.E

This half term we will focus on Dance with a focus on musical theatre. The children will be taught by Mr Smith & Mrs Henney. Our PE days will change to Mondays and Wednesdays.

DT

In DT the children will learn about freestanding structures and how these can be made sturdy. Children will also explore different joining techniques.

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Additional Information

Reading:

Please hear your child read/read with your child every day and record this in their yellow reading diary - remember, your child is entered into the Reading Raffle each time they have their reading recorded in their diary. **School reading books are changed on a Monday and school library books are changed on a Friday.**

P.E:

There are two P.E. sessions per week. Your child should continue to dress appropriately for PE on their allocated PE days (**Mondays and Wednesdays – though for the first 2 weeks of the half term PE will be on Tuesdays and Wednesdays**). PE uniform should consist of black/blue jogging bottoms, white t-shirt and school jumper as well as trainers. **Earrings - if your child needs to wear stud earrings, please make sure that they have plasters or tape in school to cover them.**

Water Bottles and snacks:

Please continue to send your child to school each day with a **named water bottle**. Please can this contain water only and **no juice**.

At morning break time children can have a **healthy snack such as piece of fruit or vegetable**.

Finally, if you have any concerns or questions regarding your child, please do not hesitate to contact us by email or by phoning the school office.

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Many thanks for your continued support,

Mrs Henney and Mrs Leja