

Science

In Science, the children will identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials including wood, plastic, glass, fabric and paper for particular uses. They will also find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

The Arts and Computing (Art, Music and Computing)

In Computing, the children will create and debug simple programs. They will learn what 'algorithms' are and how they are implemented as programs on a digital device.

In Art, the children will be focusing on observational drawing, shading, printing and sculpture to create profile portraits.

In Music, the children will follow Charanga lessons and learn to sing, perform and compose their own piece of music. Children will further develop their use of the inter-related dimensions of music.

Humanities (Geography, History and RE)

Children will be learning about significant people from the past; Mary Seacole, Florence Nightingale and Edith Cavell. Children will learn about different times from the past through exploring their lives. Children will learn about what makes someone significant and how to order events chronologically.

In RE, the children will learn about special books from different religions. Our theme is God and Faith - ways of knowing holy books.

Dear Parents/ Carers

Welcome to Year 2! The children are settling well into their new classes and adjusting to their new routines. They have enjoyed catching up with friends especially during exciting active playtimes! The children have already started their topic 'People who made a difference - Nurses'. Thank you for all the effort families made on Monday 8 September, we had a wonderful WOW morning and the children looked the part when learning about healthcare professionals in our community. Children learned about medicine safety, first aid for minor burns, spotting potential dangers in a home setting and even pretending to be surgeons using wool and card to practise their running stitches, cross stitches and even some back stitches! Please see the website for pictures of the morning.



Homework

This year we will be setting homework online using Google Classroom. The children will be set tasks in which they can either complete online or take photos to upload. There is information on the school website to help parents if you are having difficulty accessing Google Classroom. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you need any help. The children's login information is in a login book that children have made and decorated. For Year 2, all homework will be set on Wednesday and should be submitted on Google Classroom by the following Monday.

Our Topic homework will be based on areas of the curriculum.

We will also send home spellings. Spellings will go home on a Monday and be checked in school the following Monday.

We will also set Maths homework in which children should use what they have learned in school that week to complete. The children could also choose to upload a photo of their working out.

Please see the curriculum map to find homework tasks if needed.

Maths

In Maths, the children will be reading, writing and ordering numbers to 100. They will learn to recognise the place value of each digit in a two-digit number (tens, ones). The children will learn to partition numbers e.g. $67 = 60 + 7$. They will be learning to add and subtract. They will recall number facts of all numbers to 20 and create fact families. They will use a variety of resources such as dienes, Numicon, straw bundles, tens frames, hundred squares and number lines. In addition to daily Maths lessons, children take part in 4 Maths mastering number sessions during the week to support Maths fluency.

English

In English, the children will be sharing, listening to, reading and writing 'losing' stories with familiar settings such as 'Dogger.' We will focus on tools we can use to develop characterisation in a story. In contrast to this they will also explore a 'finding tale' from a different culture. We will be focusing on writing sentences that are correctly punctuated. Children will learn how to spell common exception words and use the past tense correctly and consistently.

The children have started taking their reading books home so please support your child with reading at home regularly. Reading books will go home on a Friday and are due back on a Monday. Children will be reading regularly in school in a range of situations. Please encourage your child to read every day.

Children will be taught phonics and spelling daily.