

Science

Children will learn about 'Animals, including humans'. They will learn about the things that animals including humans need to survive and how humans stay healthy. They will also learn about how the needs and the appearance of humans change as they grow. The children will have the opportunity to ask and answer their own enquiry questions and carry out simple investigations.

Dear Parents/Carers

Happy New Year to you and your families. Our topic for this half-term is 'The Great Fire of London'. During this topic we will learn about fire safety today. We hope to welcome fire fighters to our school. In our Art lessons children will be learning to use shades and tints to create their own Great Fire of London paintings. In PSHE children will think about new goals and put steps in place to achieve these.

English

Children will be

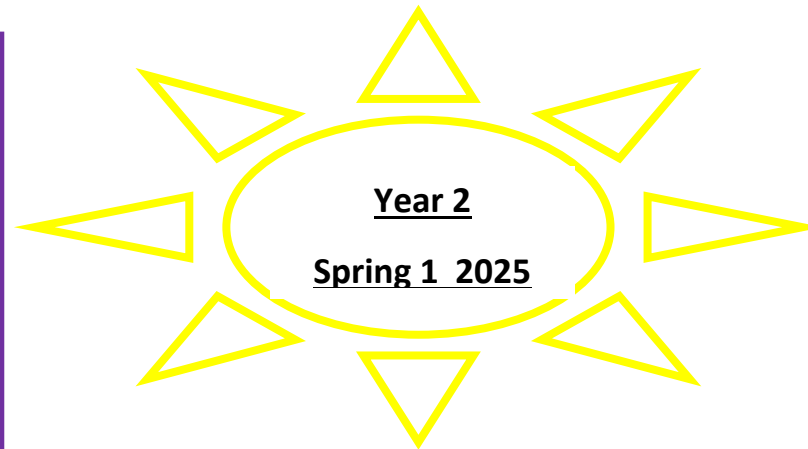
- reading and listening to adventure stories.
- predicting story events.
- learning and writing adventure diaries with a focus on setting descriptions.
- reading a range of texts fluently with understanding and comprehension.
- learning about and using a range of grammar features in their writing e.g. nouns, adjectives, verbs, adverbs.
- using a range of punctuation e.g. full stops, exclamation marks, question marks, apostrophes and commas.
- writing personal recounts based on real life experience.
- reading, writing and performing poetry.

The Arts and Computing (Art, DT, Music and Computing)

In Art children will learn about tone, shades and tints. Children will investigate how to use these to paint the background of their fire pictures. Children will use David Best's art as inspiration for adding building detail using thick and thin lines.

In Music children will listen, sing, play, compose, improvise and perform a range of songs used tuned instruments.

In Computing children will learn how search effectively and safely on the World Wide Web using a browser and search engine called 'Swiggle'. Children will use questioning to create their own binary trees. We will continue our Evolve online safety lessons.



Maths

Children will learn

- how to multiply and divide. Children will learn different strategies and representation. Children will learn how to make links between times tables.
- how to solve word problems involving multiplication and division.
- how to find fractions of shape and of numbers.
- read time and solve time problems.

Humanities

(Geography, History and RE)

Children will be learning about key facts of 'The Great Fire of London' and key people, e.g. Thomas Farriner, King Charles II and Samuel Pepys. They will learn about primary and secondary sources.

In RE children will consider the big question; '*What is a pilgrimage and why do people go on them?*' They will consider personal journeys as well as learning about Christian and Islamic pilgrimages.

Google Classroom and Homework

Weekly homework will continue to be assigned to your child's Google Classroom account. For Year 2, all homework will be set on Wednesday and should be submitted on Google Classroom by the following Monday.

Please check on the curriculum map to find the homework for each week and the spellings. The Maths homework will be linked to the weekly Maths learning.

If you have any questions please contact your child's class teacher.

