



Year 2 Overview

Spring 1

Welcome back: Happy New Year!

The Year 2 children worked extremely hard last term and made amazing achievements. Everyday the children strive to maintain our RESPECT values: resilience, empathy, self-awareness, positivity, excellence and great communication and team-work skills. We are looking forward to continuing in our development whilst having fun on the journey. We are excited to see all the outstanding learning you are going to produce with all the fun and interesting activities planned.

Art- printmaking

In art, the children will be developing their printmaking skills. They will be making prints from ordinary objects and combining printing techniques such as stencilling and relief printing. The children will study the art history around William Morris, specifically his work *Strawberry Thief* (1883). They will take inspiration from the pioneer of the Arts and Crafts movement to combine created repeated patterns using printing techniques to create their final piece.

Learning Challenge Curriculum: Geography

In geography, the children will be learning about the human and physical features of the UK and Africa. They will use this knowledge to understand the geographical similarities and differences in human and physical geography of London and Nairobi. The children will develop their skills in map reading and using aerial photographs to recognise human and physical features. They will also conduct fieldwork and develop observational skills in studying the school grounds and the key human and physical features of its environment.

Science: chemistry- use of everyday materials

In science, the children will be learning about the uses of everyday materials. They will be identifying and comparing the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper, and cardboard for particular uses. They will also be finding out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting, and stretching. The children will be developing their skills by working scientifically in simple tests, identifying and classifying, observing and gathering and recording data.

Reading in Year 2:

Your child needs to have their reading book and reading record in school everyday. We are ensuring children develop a love for reading, ask questions about texts and develop their fluency and accuracy by taking part in shared reading as a class, grouped guided reading sessions and 1:1 reads. Having their reading record in school ensures we can inform you what they are doing well at and what their next steps are.

We ask children to read to an adult at home a minimum of 5 times per week. Please listen to your child read, ask some questions about the book then sign their reading record. Any child who reads 5 times will be put into a raffle! We know how busy things are at home so your child could write the date and book in themselves and then ask you to sign it. Thank you for your continued support!

Key Information:

This half term, PE will be on a Tuesday for Class 7, 8 and 9. For this reason, please ensure your child has their full PE kit in school at all times and that it is labelled with their name.

Please can you ensure your child keeps all toys and large bags at home. They can be distracting and we don't have the room in class to accommodate them. If you have any questions or need any support, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher by making an appointment or sending an e-mail.

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The following words have been taken from our English text 'The Dragon Machine'.

- havoc
- troublesome
- advice
- consult
- tragic
- lumbered
- wreckage
- venture
- engine
- fields
- tulips
- overlooked

Home Learning

All home learning will be uploaded on to SeeSaw or given out every Friday.

Your child will have a weekly Maths activity linked to times tables uploaded on to SeeSaw. The children also have access to Times Table Rock Stars.

Common Exception Words will be uploaded on to SeeSaw. Please pick 5 words per week to practise and this will be assessed every half term.

A paper copy of their current times table learning to practise will also be given out.

A weekly spelling or grammar activity up-