

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER



Year 2 | Autumn Term

English

In English the children will start by looking at the story '5 Minutes Peace' by Jill Murphy. Our focus will be using description and impressive vocabulary to make our writing interesting. We will be including adjectives, conjunctions and adverbs in our writing and extending our sentences from simple sentences to more complex sentences. Our daily phonics sessions will continue with recapping sounds with our main focus being to develop fluency in our reading.



Maths

In maths we will begin by focusing on 'number and place value'. The children will be identifying what each digit in a number represents and learning how to partition numbers into their tens and units. We will be comparing numbers using the terms greater and less than and using the symbols to match. We will continue to develop our mental math skills, particularly focusing on recalling number bonds and introducing multiplication facts through the use of Times Table Rock stars, and Numbots.

Art

Our first topic in Art will explore sculpture through making maps. The children will begin by exploring maps and then recreate their own map style using materials. They will evaluate their work and then move onto designing a printing tile. They will then develop the skills needed to create their own art piece.



History

In history we will be learning about The Great Fire Of London. We will travel back in time to 1666 and learn about how the fire started and what made it spread so quickly. The children will look at evidence for the past and eye witness statements as well as how the fire changed London forever.



Science

Our science topic starts with 'Materials' We will begin by learning about the different types of materials and their uses. The children will explore how the same materials can be used for different purposes and their suitability. We will conduct an investigation to find out the best materials to make a chair for a teddy.



Geography

In Geography the children will be learning about their local environment through exploring the surrounding. They will identify both human and physical features and how these are useful when giving directions and reading maps.



General Reminders

- Children should read every night to develop accuracy and fluency.
- Homework: children will be given a grid where they choose 1 activity to complete each week. The weekly homework grid can be found in your child's homework book.
- We will have PE twice a week; on Tuesday and Thursday. Children will continue to come into school in their P.E kits, Please ensure earrings are removed at home.
- All items of uniform should be labelled and children should bring a water bottle to school.
- Children are allowed to bring in fresh fruit or vegetables to eat at playtime.