



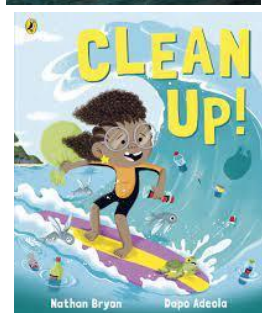
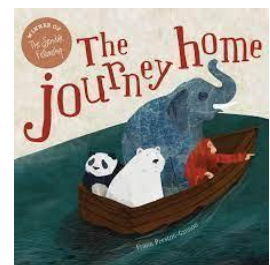
# Curriculum Newsletter | Year 2

## Spring 1 | Our World

### Key messages

**Welcome back! We have another very busy term ahead!**

Thank you so much for your support with reading at home this year! We're seeing a huge number of reading records coming into school daily and being signed at home. This is having a big impact on the children's reading progress. Just a reminder that the children should be reading at home with an adult as often as possible. They can also access e-books on Bug Club (login details are on the inside page of the reading record). Please sign the reading record each time your child reads with you or uses Bug Club at home. The children should also be accessing Times Tables Rockstars online at least one per week as part of their homework.



If you have any questions, please speak to Miss Hartnell or Miss Johnston.

### Our learning

This term's IPC topic is 'Our World' and our Science topic is 'Plants'. We will be learning about the Earth and how we can look after it by doing things like recycling, conserving water and protecting wildlife.

In English, we will be exploring the texts '*The Journey Home*' by Frann Preston Gannon and '*Clean Up!*' by Nathan Bryan and Dapo Adeola. We will be learning to use different grammatical features and to write for a variety of purposes including producing non-chronological reports and persuasive letters.

### Goldilocks words for topic

*The Goldilocks words are the key vocabulary the children will learn, understand and be able to use by the end of the topic. They are called Goldilocks words as they are not too easy, not too hard, but just right!*

Earth

Recycle

Conservation

Endangered

Extinct

Pollution

Waste

Environment

### Ideas for home learning

Reuse plastic waste at home to create something new.

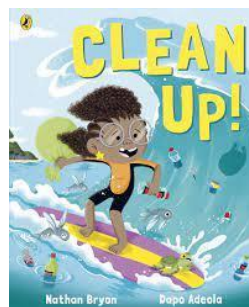
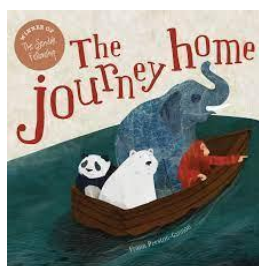
Create a poster to explain why recycling is important.

Think of different ways you can conserve electricity and water at home.

Find out about an endangered animals and do some fun activities on the [World Wildlife Fund website](#).

# Our IPC Topic this term is: Our World

## Our Science topic this term is: Plants



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| <p>In English, through our core text, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Revise the four sentence types.</li> <li>● Describe using expanded noun phrases.</li> <li>● Use co-ordinating (and, but, or, so) and subordinating (because, when, if) conjunctions to add detail.</li> <li>● Add suffixes –ing and –ed to verbs to show tense.</li> <li>● Begin to use commas in lists</li> <li>● Develop our inference skills.</li> <li>● Plan, edit and publish pieces of writing.</li> <li>● Write for a range of purposes.</li> </ul> | <p>In Maths, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Secure our understanding of the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.</li> <li>● Continue to practice multiplying amounts by 2, 5 10.</li> <li>● Learn to divide using our existing knowledge.</li> <li>● Recognise how to perform the inverse operation to solve calculations.</li> <li>● Use mathematical vocabulary.</li> <li>● Solve problems about multiplication and division.</li> <li>● Develop our reasoning skills.</li> </ul> |  |
| <p>In IPC Topic, we learn about how to keep our world safe by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Reducing, reusing and recycling products</li> <li>● Conserving water</li> <li>● Protecting wildlife</li> </ul>   | <p>In Science, we will find out about plants by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Identifying the different parts of a plant.</li> <li>● Learning what plants need to grow.</li> <li>● Observing plants over time.</li> <li>● Comparing how bulbs and seeds grow.</li> <li>● Exploring the plants we eat.</li> <li>● Learning about the plant life cycle.</li> </ul>  |  |
| <p>In Computing, we will learn about data handling by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Inputting data</li> <li>● Choosing different charts</li> <li>● Recording information from different lessons.</li> <li>● Presenting data in different ways.</li> </ul>  | <p>In PE, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Develop our listening, balance and co-ordination.</li> <li>● Work co-operatively with a partner and as part of a team.</li> </ul>   | <p>In RE, we will learn about prayer in Islam:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Explore how people pray.</li> <li>● Find out about daily prayers.</li> <li>● Learn about where people pray.</li> </ul> |
| <p>In Music, we will be continuing our violin lessons with our UK Music Masters teachers. Please remember to bring violins to school on Mondays.</p>   |   |  |

