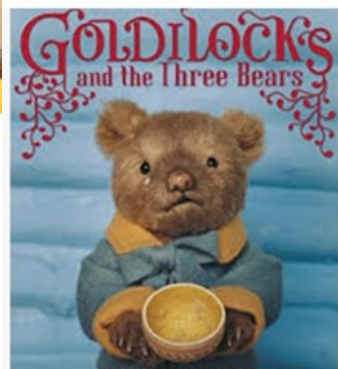


# Curriculum Newsletter

## Year 2

### Autumn Term



## How are you?

**Welcome back!** This term's topic is 'How are you?'. We will be learning all about how to keep healthy. We will find out about what makes a healthy diet, different types of exercise, why we need sleep and why it is important to keep clean. This links with this term's science topic, Animals including Humans, where we will also be learning about how humans grow and change over their lives. For English we will be exploring different versions of Goldilocks and the Three Bears to learn about different text types and grammatical features.

### 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!*

Senses (taste, touch, smell, sight, hearing)

Fruit

Vegetables

Sleep

Fit

Exercise

Germs

Needs

#### PE Times

On your child's PE day please send them into school in their Jubilee PE kits. They will remain in them all day so will not need their school uniform.

Y2CH - Monday and Wednesday

Y2RJ - Tuesday and Thursday

### Ideas for home learning

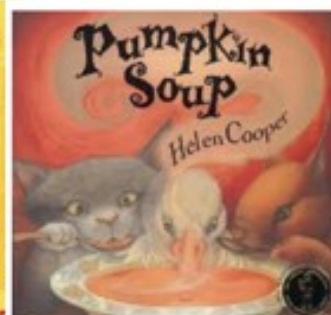
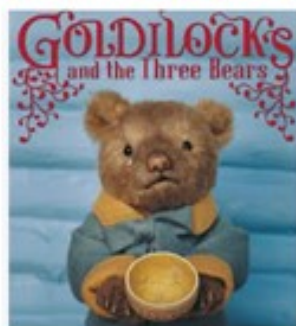
- Help grown ups cook a family meal.
- Do some exercise together and talk about how it makes you feel.
- Create your own exercise routine.
- Talk about why it is important to wash our hands.
- Talk about different food groups that you eat.

### Key messages

#### **Welcome to Year 2! We are so excited about the year ahead!**

As many of you will be aware, this is the children's final year of KS1 and they will undertake assessments in May. This is nothing to worry about, and further information about these will be given out over the course of the year. We plan to make this a really fun and memorable year for the children! For now, it is important that they remember to bring their home reading records to school every day and read at home as often as possible. They should also practice spelling the key exception words for Years 1 and 2 regularly.

If you have any questions, please call the office and leave a message for Miss Hartnell or Miss Johnston, we will get back to you as soon as we can!



**Our IPC topic this term is: How are you?**  
**Our Science topic this term is: Animals, including humans.**

**In English, we will be reading a variety of stories featuring Goldilocks (*Goldilocks and the Three Bears* by Lauren Child, *Me and You* by Anthony Browne and *Goldilocks and Just the One Bear* by Leigh Hodgkinson) and exploring how she is portrayed and different characters' points of view. We will also read *Pumpkin Soup* by Helen Cooper. We will:**

- Write a story, a sequel, persuasive letters, a wanted poster, an advert, a play script and explanations.
- Learn to use expanded noun phrases, conjunctions and apostrophes.
- Practice writing in the first and third person.
- Learn to use different text types and punctuate them.
- Develop our reading comprehension skills.

**In Maths, we will be developing our understanding of number and place value and building our addition and subtraction skills. We will:**

- Read and write numbers to at least 100 in numerals and words.
- Recognise the place value of 2-digit numbers and represent them in different ways.
- Compare and order numbers.
- Count in steps of 1, 2, 3, 5, 10 and 50.
- Secure our number bonds to 10, 20 and 100.
- Add and subtract 1-digit numbers from 2-digit numbers.

**In Topic, we will be learning about the human body and how we can keep healthy. We will be:**

- Exploring the 5 senses.
- Finding out why humans need sleep and how much.
- Learning about why we need clean water.
- Taking part in different exercise activities to learn about keeping fit.
- Exploring how germs spread, and what happens when we are ill. Finding out what hospitals are like.
- Learning about famous doctors and scientists.

**In Science we will be learning how animals grow and change, and what they need to survive and thrive. We will be:**

- Developing our understanding of how humans grow and change throughout their lives.
- Finding out what basic needs humans have.
- Exploring healthy eating and its impact on our bodies.
- Learning about why humans need exercise and hygiene to stay healthy.

**In Computing, we will be learning about e-safety. We will:**

- Find out how to stay safe on the internet.
- Learn how to act appropriately and treat others respectfully online.

**In RE we will be learning about Hinduism. We will:**

- Explore Hindu beliefs, worship and traditions.
- Learn about Diwali - why is an important festival and how it is celebrated.

**In PE we will be learning to play rugby and football. We will:**

- Enhance our balance and co-ordination.
- Develop our ball skills.
- Focus on working cooperatively as part of a team.

**In PSHE, we will be completing our statutory SRE learning. We will:**

- Share our ideas about how boys and girls differ.
- Learn about male and female animals and learn scientific vocabulary for body parts.

**In Music, we will be continuing our violin lessons with our London Music Masters teachers. Please remember to bring violins to school on Mondays.**