



Curriculum Newsletter

Katherines Primary Academy – Spring Term 2026

We are Year 2: Billy Monger

Welcome back

We hope you've had an enjoyable winter break and are looking forward to the spring term ahead. We are delighted to welcome the children back and look forward to delving into our exciting topics in the coming term. We are excited to see the children flourish in their learning journey. We are confident that, together, we will make this term full of fun, discovery, and memorable experiences for the children.

English

As writers, the children will explore different writing styles this term. They will create a poem, a fantasy story, and a fact file all about dragons. Our reading will begin with a poetry book *Tell Me a Dragon*, before moving on to *George and the Dragon* by Chris Wormell. The children will continue with regular handwriting practice, and weekly spelling and grammar lessons.

Home reading

Please continue to read regularly with your children at home and record this in their Home School Reading Diary. Every time they read, they will gain a tick on their card in the back of the diary and when it is full they will be rewarded for their effort with a prize from the Headteacher. Your child should bring in their Home School book every day. We will be changing books regularly; however, they are welcome to bring their own book from home too or choose a reading for pleasure book from school.

Maths

As mathematicians we will develop our knowledge of money, and then explore multiplication and division. Children will learn the facts for the 2, 5 and 10x tables by heart. Later in the term, Year 2 will learn to read time to the quarter hour. The fractions, halves, quarters and thirds will also be covered.

P.E.

As athletes, there will be a focus on improving children's gymnastics skills including balance, control and balance using apparatus. Dance, fitness, and invasion games will also be covered in subsequent units. Some lessons will be taught by a specialist PE coach.

P.E. days are **Wednesday** and **Thursdays**.

Children should wear their PE kit to school on these days. Earrings and other items of jewellery must be removed for PE and long hair should be tied back.

RWV/ RSE

RSE lessons will focus on relationships with family and friends. We will learn about the causes of conflicts in friendships and role play ways to resolve these. RWV lessons will focus on Christianity and what it means to be part of the Christian faith family.

Topics we will be studying this term...

History - Moon Landing

Geography - London vs Sydney

Science - Living things and their habitats.

Computing- Creating media - Digital Photography

Art - Life in colour

D.T. - Cooking and Nutrition - balanced diet

RWV - How do Christians belong to a faith family

RSE- Relationships

Music- Recognising different sounds

PE- Gymnastics and Invasion games

Science

As scientists this term, the children will explore the exciting world of living things and their habitats. They will discover the differences between living and non-living things while learning about the seven life processes. The class will also investigate how animals get their food to survive, and explore how a food chain works. There will also be opportunities for predicting, practical investigations and forming conclusions.

Computing

As computer scientists, we will be developing our understanding of photography. We will explore what makes a great photograph, focusing on elements such as lighting, effects, composition and orientation of the images.

History

As historians, we will be learning about the moon landing and the astronauts who were part of this momentous event, with a particular focus on Neil Armstrong.

Art/ DT

As artists, the children will explore colour and learn how to create both primary and secondary colours. In DT we will be learning about a balanced diet and using this knowledge to design and make a healthy wrap.

Geography

As geographers, this term we will be comparing London and Sydney, with a particular focus on the different landmarks. Children will also identify the human and physical features of both cities.

Notes ...

In Year 2, homework will be set online. Spelling practice will be on paper. There will be no homework books. Our homework focus this year is **consistently reading five times a week** at home as well as accessing:

Numbots - please aim for 3x per week www.numbots.com

Spelling Shed - weekly on paper www.edshed.com

Logins are now in the Home School book for all websites.

Children should practise their spellings on paper, ready for a spelling test on a **Friday**.

Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school every day -filled **only** with water.

Thank you for your continued support, it is much appreciated! Miss Huylin.