<u>English</u>

We will begin the new term reading 'Poems to Perform'. We will use this exciting book selecting poems to focus on.

Our written work will focus on writing our own poem, using adjectives and some rhyming words. Followed by a narrative based on a poem from the book.

We will focus on writing fluency and stamina, whilst always being careful to think - say - write our sentences. Building our use of ambitious vocabulary. We will place attention to our performances of poems thinking about prosody and pace whilst building confidence performing in front of others. This term we will also continue to recall Year 1 common exception words whilst starting to use more Year 2 common exception words in our writing.

Handwriting will be a key focus of every lesson focusing on joining letters.

Reading

Please continue to share the love of books with your child. Encourage them to their Little Wandle book read/share books 5 times per week. We encourage you to revisit and reread favourite books and stories. Children will also continue to enjoy our class story Toto the Ninja Cat by Dermot O'Leary

Little Wandle books will be changed every Friday.

Science

This half term Year 2 will be learning about 'Everyday Uses of Materials and Inventors'. We will recap properties of everyday materials but focus mainly on four amazing inventions and their inventors - Charles Macintosh, John McAdam, William Addis and John Dunlop. <u>Curriculum - Religious Education</u> This half term in Year 2, our Religious Education enquiry question will be,

'What is special about God?'

We shall learn about how the Christian and Jewish religion celebrate God being special. We will also learn stories from each of the religions and how they celebrate God and share this with others.

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Homework

Each week the children will be set one piece of Topic and an English or Maths Homework on a Friday to be completed by the following Thursday. Year 2 common exception spellings will be set weekly for children to practice ready for a quiz every Friday morning.

<u>Maths</u>

In Year 2 this term we will continue to consolidate our understanding of addition and subtraction and develop our problem-solving skills, focussing upon our explanations and reasoning. Encouraging your child to have a go at this practically and explain their thinking and reasoning will develop their confidence and be hugely beneficial within their maths lessons. We will also be working on Geometry.

We will continue to use Letter-join to ensure that we form all numerals correctly.

Our PE Days

Our PE afternoon will be Thursday. Please ensure that children have a full outdoor and indoor PE kit in school all week. Long hair should be tied back, and earrings removed as outlined in the school's uniform policy on our website.

Wider Curriculum

ICT - Data Handling PHSE - Celebrating Me Music - Charanga (Ho,Ho,Ho) P.E. - Interpretive dance and Athletics Indoor