

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER



Year 2 : Autumn



English

In English the children will start by looking at the story 'Peace at last' 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.

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 Harlow. We will be looking at many of its features including sculptures and what makes it unique. We will then compare Old Harlow to New Harlow and discover how it has changed over time.

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.

RE

In religious studies the children will begin with discussing why light is an important symbol for Christians, Jews and Hindus? They will be making comparisons and identifying the similarities and differences. Next we will move on to learn about the importance of Jesus to Christians and the nativity.

General Reminders

- Children should read every night to develop accuracy and fluency.
- Homework: Times Table Rockstars Login details can be found in your child's reading record. The weekly homework grid can be found in your child's homework book, please complete one activity per week.
- We will have PE twice a week; on Tuesday and Wednesday. Children will continue to come into school in their P.E kits, Please ensure earrings are removed or taped 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 during their morning play.