

Topic – Our Wonderful World

Monkton Church of England

Primary School

Newsletter for

Term 2 - Years 1 & 2 (Rainbow Class)

Compassion, Courage, Justice - Jesus said, 'Go and do the same.'

Subjects	What the children will be learning	
Reading	Little Wandle Reading groups	
Writing	Non-chronological reports; Riddles; Christmas writing	
Maths	Addition and subtraction and Shape	
Religious Education	Incarnation - Why does Christmas matter to Christians?	
Science	Everyday Materials and Seasonal changes	
Geography Settlements; Changes over time. Physical and human features; Picture		
	maps; Cardinal compass points; Equator and hemispheres; Continents; Oceans; Countries and capital cites of the UK; Protecting natural environments; Fieldwork	
History	Historical vocabulary; Historical artefacts; Timelines; Everyday life and childhoo in the 1950s; Significant events – Queen's coronation; Enquiry	
Computing	Programming - Robot Algorithms	
Art and Design	Funny Faces and Fabulous Features - Portraiture; Collage	
Design and Technology	Investigating existing products; Designing and making shelters and dens	
	Prototypes; Safety rules; Materials.	
Physical Education	Gymnastics and Fitness	
Relationships and Health Education	Resilience focus	
Music	Time to play– Exploring pulse and rhythmic patterns	

Vocabulary					
English	Maths	Themed Words			
past tense	addition	aerial			
present tense	add	atlas			
sequence	plus	capital city			
non-chronological	subtraction	cardinal points			
non-fiction	minus	continent			
layout	take away	country			
punctuation	equals	equator			
riddle	sides	hedgerow			
description	vertices	human & physical feature			
	edges	key / symbol			
	faces	meadow			
	2D / 3D	Northern & Southern hemisphere			
	Symmetry	Settlement			

An Inspirational and Ambitious Curriculum – Trips and Experiences

Friday 1st December – 2.30pm

Shade and Shelter - This project teaches children about the purpose of shelters and their materials. They name and describe shelters and design and make shelter prototypes. Children then design and build a play den as a group and evaluate their completed product. We invite parents in to see our final dens.

Key Dates for Term

Week Beginning 30th Oct - Black History Week Friday 3rd November - Black History Week Museum (2:45 start) Monday 6th November - Remembrance Service at the church Thursday 9th November - Open Day for new intake Friday 10th November - Captain Wonderweb and the Esteem Machine Show Week Beginning 13th November - Friendship Week Wednesday 22nd November - You Say, We Do Parent Meeting @ 2:30pm Friday 1st December – Shade and Shelter showcase @ 2:30pm Friday 8th December – Nativity – Class 1 (Class 2 as choir) time tbc Monday 11th December - Christingle Service at the church (6pm) Wednesday 13th December - Last day of Term 2 Friday 15th December - School closed to children (Staff Development Day)