

English

We will be reading the book Tadpole's Promise by Jeanne Willis and Tony Ross. We will be using drama to re-enact sections of the story and infer the thoughts of the characters at certain points. We will write in role, explore interesting verbs and begin using subordination. We will then use these skills to write our own version of the story. Alongside this, we will also be reading the non fiction text Fanatical about Frogs which is a wonderful information book. We will be using the book to develop the children's retrieval skills and widen their vocabulary.

Maths

We start this term with an in depth look at shape including recognising the difference between 2D and 3D shapes. We will identify and describe the properties of shapes including how many edges, vertices and faces in 3D shapes and vertical line symmetry in 2D shapes. We then move on to explore money, counting the different coins and notes, making amounts and finding change. We then explore multiplication as equal groups and arrays before starting to learn facts for the x2, x10 and x5 tables by heart.

R.E.

Mrs Joel continues to teach the class R.E. on a Thursday afternoon. The children will be learning all about Jesus.

Year 2 Spring Term Exploring God's World

Key Vocabulary

explorers	Arctic
Antarctica	North/South Pole
growth	
young/old	survival
offspring	life cycle
exercise	heartbeat
breathing	germs
hygiene	food types

P.S.H.E. - This half term we are learning to keep ourselves safe. We start with a discussion about how we feel when we are fit and well, moving on to discuss how to help ourselves when we are not. We then discuss safe and unsafe scenarios and learn what to do if we ever find ourselves in an unsafe or uncomfortable position. We learn the 'PANTS' rule including the importance of speaking out to a trusted adult.

Art - We will investigate portraits by a variety of artists. We will use a range of drawing media to make marks and evaluate their effectiveness when creating our own self-portraits.

Science - . We investigate our basic needs looking at what we as animals need to survive compared to what makes us happy. We explore the importance of a healthy balanced diet and talk about why exercise is so important for our bodies. We also discuss the importance of keeping clean and personal hygiene and think about how medicines can help us to stay well.

Geography - We will be learning about famous explorers such as Roald Amundsen, Jacques Cousteau, Sylvia Earle and Adjany Costa. We will learn about the north and south poles, label maps and learn about keys.

P.E. - This term we will be developing our gymnastics skills -travelling, rolling, jumping and balancing on both small and large apparatus. We will also be practising our underarm throwing and catching skills and learning to apply these in a simple game.

Computing - the children will learn about email. They develop reading, writing and digital literacy skills by reading, composing and replying to emails.

Wider Curriculum

- Intra-sports competitions
- Lancashire Fire Service will be coming into class to talk to us about the importance of fire safety in the home.

Worship

Worship will take place daily and will be a mixture of Praise and Prayer, worship with Rev Rebecca and class worship. We will continue to celebrate children's achievements on a Friday. Our values for this term are Courage and Compassion.