

# Year 2 Curriculum Letter



## Summer Term I 2022

Welcome back!

We hope you have all had a lovely Easter break. This half term will be a very busy but exciting half term for your child. Below is an outline of some of the exciting things your children will be learning this half term.

### English

In English we will be covering three different units during this half term:





Wind in the Willows- Animal Adventure stories- We will be introducing the story 'The Wind in the Willows' By Kenneth Grahame this will be our main theme for the half term which will also link with our science topic looking at animals. We will read the story and find out about the animals and especially Mr Toad's adventures. Once we are familiar with the story, we will then create our own animal adventure stories, like the book.

Meerkat Mail- Letters- Recount- We are going to read the story "Meerkat Mail' By Emily Gravett. We will be finding out about Sunny the meerkat and his journey from his home in the Kalahari Desert and back again. Every place he goes he sends postcards back to his family. We will then know lots about him to then write a letter in role as the character, Sunny.

Classic Poems- We will also look at a range of classic poems and learn them to perform. We are hoping to link this with our Queen's Jubilee celebrations at the end of this half term.

In maths we will be recapping all of the skills learned in Year 2 so far to help us ready for our Year 2 SATS preparation. This will include: Number and Place Value 2D & 3D shape Addition and Subtraction Multiplication and Division Time and Money

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Science- Our topic is called 'Wind in the Willows' which matches to the story we will be reading in English. We will be looking at living and non-living things, classifying animals and talking about their habitats.

Geography- We will be focussing on seasonal and daily weather for 5 weeks of this half term. We will start off by looking at the UK map and locating the 4 counties, capital cities and surrounding seas. We will watch regular weather reports and observe the change in weather each day in Preston also across the country. We will continue to find out if the weather is the same or different and investigate why this might be. Alongside this will also look at the different seasons that we have and types of weather and changes that occur. We will have fun with wind, rain and temperature investigations and look at how human activity is affected by the weather as well as how human activity affects the weather.



In RE we will be looking at two units of work, 'Why is the church a special place for Christians?'. In this unit we will be looking at our local church St Matthew's and how churches are a holy place for Christians. We will also compare it to other places of worship. Our second unit is 'Ascension and Pentecost', we will be looking at the two significant events and the importance of them in the life of Jesus and the church.

Our new days for PE are a Monday and Wednesday. Please make sure that any earrings are taken out on these days. This half term we will be looking at learning skills to play games. We will have a vote for which game we would like to learn the skills for when we come back to school.

In computing we will be completing our work on Coding, then we will be learning how to be creative using technology. We learn different techniques for creating pictures and creating music.

# **PSHE**

In PSHE we will be continuing our Kidsafe activities for the first three weeks. We will then move on to our growth mind-set approach in our classrooms and learning another new way to help us learn. We will also be looking at our unit about keeping safe. This will be through safe relationships with others like our friends, online friendship and knowing when to say no when feeling pressured. We will also look at how we can keep safe around the house as well as in other places and road safety.





