YEAR 2 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

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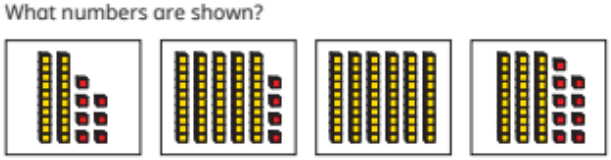
In phonics, we will practice recognising and saying sounds by blending sounds together to read words, and segmenting to spell them. We will read tricky words and apply our phonics skills when reading and writing.

We will be practising handwriting each day, focusing on fine motor development, grip, writing posture and letter formation.

We will alternate English and Reading Response lessons each Friday. In English, we will focus on grammar, punctuation and spelling. This half term, we will focus on the story of the Three Little Pigs to develop our writing. In Reading Response lessons, we will answer questions about stories we have read to show understanding of a text.

Maths

In Maths, we will learn about Place Value. We will revise numbers to 20 and then 100, including counting in tens. We will learn to recognise tens and ones and partition numbers.



We will also have daily maths mastery lessons to secure core maths skills.

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SCIENCE

Materials



KNITTED KNOWLEDGE

I will learn how different materials are used for different purposes.
I will learn how materials can be used for more than one thing.
I will learn how the shape of materials can change.

SUPER SKILLS

I am learning to ask questions about different materials.
I am learning to plan an investigation to test the suitability of materials for a given purpose.

DEAR PARENT

Welcome to Year 2! Here is some key information:

In **reading,** we are following the Read, Write Inc scheme and through this, the children will have their books changed at least once a week, according to the text. We encourage parents/carers to read this book regularly to support children in remembering the sounds they are learning,

Children are asked to **read at least 4 times** a week. The children need to have their reading record signed.

PE is on Wednesday and Friday – you must bring PE kits on these days. Feel free to leave PE kits in school to ensure they are here for those days. Please also remove jewellery so children can participate safely.

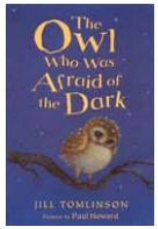
If you have any questions, please just ask.

~ Miss Hogarth.

Recommended Reading for Pleasure







YEAR 2

ART

Life in Colour -painting and mixed media.

KNITTED KNOWLEDGE

I know that I can mix primary colours to make secondary colours.
I know how to create texture.

SUPER SKILLS

I am learning to use different painting techniques to express feelings and ideas using bright and bold colours.

MUSIC



On this island: Singing

KNITTED KNOWLEDGE

I will learn to sing songs from memory using high and low pitches and describe sections of music as fast, slow, loud, quiet.

SUPER SKILLS

I am learning to sing accurately with good breathing, perform music and read simple notation.

RELIGION AND WORLDVIEWS

Do people of all world faiths have holy books?

KNITTED KNOWLEDGE

I know that the Bible is a special book and source of wisdom for Christians
I know that many other world religions have special books and stories.

SUPER SKILLS

I can talk about why the Bible is special and retell some key stories.
I can talk about the special books for other people of faith and how they are respected.



PSHE



Being Me

KNITTED KNOWLEDGE

I will learn to recognise my own feelings and know when and where to get help.
I will learn how to make my classroom a safe and fair space.

SUPER SKILLS

I am learning that positive choices impact on my own learning, and the learning of others.

COMPUTING



Information Technology around us

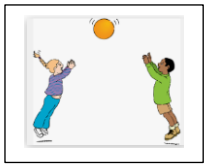
KNITTED KNOWLEDGE

I will talk about where information technology is used and how to keep safe.

SUPER SKILLS

I am learning how rules and guides help me to use technology responsibly.

PE



Ball Skills

KNITTED KNOWLEDGE

I will practise rolling, catching, dribbling a ball with my hands and feet.
I will roll and throw a ball to a target.

SUPER SKILLS

I am learning to develop co-ordination when throwing and catching.
I am learning to develop control and co-ordination when dribbling a ball.

HISTORY



What were toys like in the past?

KNITTED KNOWLEDGE

I will use my detective skills to think about how old a toy might be.
I will ask questions about toys in the past.

SUPER SKILLS

I am learning to sequence toys in chronological order.