

# **Emerald Class Newsletter**

## **Autumn 1 2022**

Welcome back to school!  
We hope you have had a lovely summer and ready for an exciting year in Year 2

Our topic this half term is **Up, Up and away.**

Our Gospel Value theme is Friendship

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### **2.1 The Bible**

#### *Key Questions*

Why is the Bible special?

Why does the vicar/minister think that the Bible is special?

Which Bible stories do you enjoy? Why?

Who uses the Bible? Why?

The Bible is in two parts which are different. Why/how are they different?

### **Science**

#### **Living things and their habitats**

- explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive
- identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other
- identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including microhabitats
- describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals, using the idea of a simple food chain, and identify and name different sources of food.



## English



**Narrative:** Traditional tales with a twist

**Non-Fiction:** Recount letter/postcards

Daily no nonsense spellings

Weekly spelling, grammar and punctuation

## Maths



Place value

Addition and subtraction

Multiplication and division

## Geography

### **Geography**

#### **Locational knowledge**

-name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans

#### **Human and physical geography**

-identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom and the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles.

## DT

### Vehicles

-explore and use mechanisms [for example, levers, sliders, wheels and axles], in their products.

*Vehicles to explore the world, including a vehicle with wheels and axles.*

## PE



Monday and Thursday

**\*\*Please make sure PE kits are in school every day\*\***

## PSHE

Keeping safe

Children will learn about keeping their bodies and minds safe

## Our expectations and learning ethos

In Emerald Class, the expectations are that your child will be a self-motivated and enthusiastic learner. To encourage this, your child has many opportunities to be rewarded through house points, Star of the Week, class rewards such as certificates and small prizes. We also hope you will support us in reinforcing our class rules, which we have written together and agreed as a class, to make our class a safe, happy and productive place to be.



This half term, your child will receive some different open-ended project tasks to be completed by the end of the half term. The projects are based on the topics we are doing in class. We would encourage you to support your child and work together on the projects, where necessary, and the children will then share their projects with the rest of the class once they are completed.



Reading is so important for your child's development and progress across the curriculum, so please encourage your child by listening to them every day.



Each week your child will be given new spellings on Monday for a spelling test Friday. Please support your child in learning their spellings, using their spelling books.

### **And finally ...**

The education of your child is a partnership between you and us. Please contact us if you have any worries or concerns about your child or feel there is something we need to be aware of. If you cannot see us at school, we can be contacted via the school office.

Here's to a wonderful half term!

Mrs Summerbell

