

Year 2 Curriculum Letter – Summer Term

April 2024



Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you had an enjoyable Easter break. As your children settle back in to Year 2 this term we would like to share with you some of the exciting lessons and activities they will be taking part in.

English - We are going to begin the term by reading 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' (David and Ronda Armitage). We will investigate the plot and the characters in the story as well as the story language. The children will continue working on their spelling, proof reading and editing to improve their work.

Phonics and Reading - The children will continue to participate in a daily phonics (Read Write Inc.) or guided reading session. Children are heard reading at school during RWI sessions and may also read individually to adults when possible. We are focusing on developing the children's comprehension skills, using VIPERS. Please listen to your child read as often as you can and ask them questions about the book to improve their reading and comprehension.

Mathematics - This half term we will be completing a lot of number work, we will focus on multiplication, division and fractions this half term. Later in the term we will also be looking at geometry.

Science - Our topic for Science this term is growing plants. We will look at what plants need to grow and stay healthy. We will observe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. We will investigate what happens to a seed if it does not get some of the elements that we think it needs to grow.

Topic - In both Geography and History this term we will be covering the Seaside. This half term will be a History focus, looking at Seaside holidays in the past and comparing seaside holidays now. We will be using photos, drawings and records from the time to find out and discover more about the past.

After half term we will then focus on the Seaside in Geography. Children will learn about the geographical elements of the seaside using maps and aerial photos. We will look at different seaside resorts about the UK and compare them.

RE - This half term we will be learning about the Islamic faith and the prophet Muhammad. We will find out about how this faith came into being and some of the important symbols and actions involved.

P.E. - Year 2 P.E. sessions will continue to be on Tuesday and Thursday. Children should wear their PE kit to school on these days, including suitable outdoor clothing and footwear. Please ensure that ALL items of clothing are labelled with your child's name, anything not labelled may not be returned to you.

Homework - We will continue to set two pieces of homework each week, focusing on reading/phonics and Maths. Every week, your child is expected to read their school reading books. In addition to this, they will have 1 piece of Maths homework which will alternate between online home learning and home learning in their exercise book. This learning will be relevant to the learning they are doing in school.

Children should also be practicing timetables and spellings at home if possible. Please try to practice this with your child as often as possible.

If you would like any further information about what the children are learning this term please see the curriculum map on the school website.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions.

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