

YEAR 2 Summer 1 newsletter

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WELCOME BACK TO A NEW HALF TERM

We are already at our summer term - where has the time gone?! We hope you all had a lovely Easter break with family and friends. As usual, if you have any questions, please come and speak to me at the door in the morning or at the end of the day. Please see below a summary of what we will be learning in Year 2 this half term.

Reading

This half term, the main class will be continuing working on reading fluency as their next step from the phonics scheme, we have moved on to chapter books that push the children to be reading at a rate of around 70 words per minute and includes time given to focus on prosody and discussion/ dialogue for comprehension. One lesson per week also focuses on a short text for reading comprehension skills including vocabulary, retrieval, inference, prediction and summarising. Some children will be continuing on their phonics journeys and working through the banded phonics books to suit their level of reading.

English

Our first three weeks of English, will focus on letter writing using the text 'Bear Shaped' by Dawn Coulter-Cruttenden. The children will imitate a good example letter written from Bear and then use their own creativity to write a letter to Bear. Following this, we will be creating a digital poster asking for help to find Bear.

Maths

We will be working through the fractions unit and looking to understand wholes and parts as well as being able to recognise and find halves, quarters and thirds of shapes, objects and amounts.

Science

Our unit for this half term is Plants. Within this unit we will explore the seasonal changes of plants as well as seeds and bulbs and how they grow over time. We will be using our observational skills to see how plants grow from seeds and bulbs but also take into account the variables that affect plants from growing.

Geography

Our focus this half term follows nicely from our previous unit and extends all of our learning on our local area to compare it and contrast it to Brazil and the Amazon Rainforest.

P.E

Half of our allocated P.E time will be used for athletics and half for net/wall games. We will also be adding in some practise for Sports Day events. Our PE days will continue to be Thursday and Fridays.

PSHE

Relationships - this unit will focus on the ingredients that are needed to make good relationships, exploring different types of families, keeping safe in regard to physical contact, friends and conflict, secrets and celebrating positive relationships.

DT

This half term, we are going to be exploring textiles and using the skill of sewing to create our own puppets.

R.E

Our learning this half term will explore Salvation and the key questions: Why is Easter important to Christians? How and why do things change? How does each day offer opportunities for good?

Computing

Computer science will be the focus of this half term, covering the unit of coding within this.

HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR CHILD

- Please continue to listen to your child reading at home to support their development of fluency, comprehension and exposure to new vocabulary.
- Your child now has a TTRS login that has been sent home and can be found in the back of their reading records. Please encourage use of this to support their maths learning.

UPCOMING DATES

Upcoming calendar dates can be found on the school website. This is a live calendar so it will show the latest changes if there are any.