



# Year 2 Newsletter Autumn 1 2019

## Topic

During this half term, our theme is 'The History of Health'. This topic is about Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole.

In Science, we will be learning about the human body and ways that we can stay healthy as part of our science lessons. We'll discover where our food comes from and the importance of a healthy, balanced diet.

In art, we will be learning about the famous artist Archimboldo & Kandinsky. The children will learn about using different materials and colours to create different styles of artwork.



## Homework

Every week, children will be given maths homework based on the work we have completed that week in class. They will also be given spellings from the year 2 words list.



## Reading

Children will each have a levelled book to read and we would like you to keep it Friday to Friday. If your child reads the book it is important to read it a few times to develop fluency (and record each read in the yellow book). You can even ask your child different questions each time they read the book to help with their understanding. They could even practice writing some of the words from it!

Children will also be getting a free reading book to return whenever they wish to. This book is to simply enjoy with the family.

**Literacy** – We will be focusing upon the importance of writing instructions and we will be writing some of our own. We will also be writing stories about the adventures of Supertato!

**Maths** – We will be learning about numbers to 100, addition and subtraction and some measurement. You could help your child at home by counting on and counting backwards from a given number, counting in 2s, 5s and 10s too. You could also help by discussing measures that we use in our everyday lives. E.g. Talking about measuring ingredients whilst cooking or making a brew!

**P.S.H.E.** will focus upon the children developing an awareness of themselves and how it is okay to be themselves in their world. They will discuss the importance of sharing worries with others, rights and responsibilities and rewards and consequences.

**R.E.** – The children will be learning from stories in the Christian Bible and the Qu'ran. The children will also be learning about Harvest.

**Design & Technology** – We will be researching the design process of creating a healthy sandwich and then we'll get the chance to make one of our own. The children will have the opportunity to sample a range of different foods to decide what they like and don't like. We would like to invite you into school to help your child with this. More details to follow.

**ICT & Computing** – We will be following computing scheme for Year 2, learning some basic ICT skills and learning how to stay safe online.



## **PE**

Children will have PE once a week and will need a kit in school on Monday and if they wish to have it washed it can be taken home on Friday and returned the following Monday. Children must also have pumps or trainers. It is really important for your child to have their kits for every PE lesson.