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Topic:

This term for Topic, we will be learning about 'Beyond the School Gates'. This is a geography based topic which focuses on a study of the local area. We will explore the geography and history of our immediate surroundings through various enquiries, map work and fieldwork. We are hoping to enrich our topic this term with a trip.

Science:

This term we will be covering a lot of science. We will be exploring plants and animals, including humans. We will also complete a number of scientific enquiries to develop our skills of prediction and observation and fair testing and we will use these to draw conclusions.

Literacy	Numeracy	RE
<p>Once children have progressed through the Read, Write, Inc programme, they will be taught in a daily literacy lesson. This will be based on various quality texts.</p> <p>One text we will be studying this term is "The Wolf's Story" by Toby Forward. This is a twist on a traditional tale. We will be also read, explore and enjoy a number of poems and non-fiction texts. All of which will develop the children as readers and writers.</p> <p>SPAG (spelling, punctuation and grammar) will feature heavily in our literacy lessons.</p> <p>In addition to the daily literacy or Read, Write Inc session, your child will have a daily handwriting lesson and spelling lesson. They will also take part in regular guided reading sessions with their class teacher.</p>	<p>In numeracy this term we will be deepening our understanding of number, place value and the four operations. We will be contextualising our learning regularly into real life situations, to enable the children to use and apply their knowledge, skills and understanding. It is important that the children access regular problem solving sessions so they can improve their reasoning skills.</p> <p>We will continue to secure our number facts and our 2, 3, 5, 10 times tables. We will also revisit time and fractions regularly.</p> <p>Although we are teaching the children some written methods to record their working out, we feel children learn best through fun, hands on experiences so lessons are often practical and we still encourage the children to use resources.</p>	<p>We now follow the new Diocesan scheme 'Come and See'.</p> <p>This term our learning will involve exploring reconciliation and how friendships and relationships help us to live together. We will also learn about the universal Church and the diversity of people around the world. The children will learn to appreciate diversity and understand the work of CAFOD.</p> <p>The children will participate daily in collective worship at either; whole school, key stage or class level. The children will also attend a monthly mass, where everyone comes together as one big family.</p>

Every Wednesday afternoon the whole school participates in mindfulness. We are really enjoying our mindfulness sessions and some of us are starting to use these techniques independently. We will be able to use our new skills during Peace Day which will take place in June.

This term we will also be enjoying healthy living week where we will think about how we can enjoy a healthy lifestyle. This will link into our PE and science learning.

French

This term we will continue to consolidate our French learning of numbers, greeting and family members. We will also learn how to say common animals in French and do some work on France as a country.

Computing

This term we will use a range of software to support our learning across the curriculum. We will continue to practice our skills of coding.

P.E.

PE will now take place on Tuesday afternoons. This term the focus will be dance and athletics. Please make sure that all items of clothing are labelled and provide your child with a spare pair of socks just in case we get wet outside. All this will make getting changed after P.E much easier. All children are expected to have a suitable kit in line with uniform regulations.

Homework & Spellings

A weekly homework task will be sent out on a Friday and needs to be returned by Wednesday along with their reading book.

In addition to the homework tasks, please read regularly with your child and practise their times tables so they know them off by heart (2, 3, 5, 10). We will also inform you of our weekly spelling rule for you to consolidate your child's learning at home and we would also like it if you could revise the tricky common exception words with your child regularly.

Things to remember:

Year 2 SAT's will take place throughout May.

On Friday we have the Good News Infant Assembly. This is an opportunity where the children can bring in certificates, trophies and awards from sports activities outside of school.

As we are a healthy school we encourage the children to drink water throughout the day. We would advise that children bring in a water bottle in to keep in class during the summer months particularly.

Again, being a healthy school, we are not allowed to give out sweets or chocolates on children's birthdays. We suggest donating a book to the class library as an alternative.

Children are not allowed to bring toys into school unless it is a specified occasion.

As stated in the school policy, children are not allowed to wear any form of jewellery, **this includes small earrings.**

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD'S NAME IS ON ALL PIECES OF CLOTHING THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

Year 2 Staff:

Miss Willows

Miss Halley

Miss Wild

Miss Yates

Mrs Chiappe

Mrs Hague

We look forward to enjoying our third and final term together!

If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to make an appointment to speak to us.

