

YEAR 2 NEWSLETTER SPRING 1 2018

Our topic this half term is **ROBOTS**.

Read on to see what we will be learning about!

Please note that this overview may be subject to change if unforeseen circumstances arise.

ENGLISH	In English we will be using the short film 'The Lone Robot,' to write narratives and descriptive writing about robots. We will also be reading, reciting and writing our own robot poems. The children will also continue with their daily phonics lessons. The weekly spellings are always related to what the children are learning in their phonics lessons.
MATHS	Over the next half term we will continue to explore the four calculation strategies - addition, subtraction, division and multiplication. We will also be looking at measures, including money, length and mass. Please encourage your child to use measures wherever possible at home in everyday, real life situations.
SCIENCE	In Science we will be learning about materials and how they are used. We will use our knowledge of materials when we make our own robots in DT.
COMPUTING	We will be covering the topic 'We are astronauts.' This unit covers on-screen programming and programming a floor toy such as a bee-bot.
DT	In DT we will design, make and evaluate our own robots.
HISTORY	We will be learning about how robots have developed over the years. We will create a timeline of how the robot has changed over time.
RE	The children will be looking at the ways that different people and different faiths celebrate New Year in the unit - Is it important to celebrate the New Year?
PSHE	The children will be discussing the unit 'Money Matters.' They will discuss the purpose of having money and how to keep it safe.
MUSIC	The children will be learning songs about robots and exploring pitch.
PE	The children will continue to be taught by our PE coach Miss Hilton. They will be doing gymnastics and invasion games in our outdoor PE sessions.

PLEASE REMEMBER...

ROBOTS: The children will all be making their own robots in week 5. Please could you send in any materials you have collected during w/b 22nd February (not before please as we have very little space to store it all!) Thank you.

MATHS TARGET: The children will be given a new maths target this half term which will be learning their 2 times table and related division facts. Please ensure your child continues to practise their target daily over the half term. They will be tested on it every Friday and they will have a final target test at the end of the half term. If you have any queries about this, please feel free to come and speak to us.

HOMEWORK: We will also continue to send home weekly spellings, which will go out every Monday and tested in school the following Monday. Maths and English homework will also be given out weekly, every Tuesday and will need to be given in by the following Monday at the latest. If you have any problems with homework, please feel free to come in and have a chat with us.

PE: We will be doing Inside and Outside PE (weather permitting of course!) this half term so please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school. They will need a t-shirt, shorts, jogging bottoms and plimsolls or trainers. They can wear their school jumper or cardigan. If your child wears earrings, please provide tape so that these can be covered during PE lessons. Both classes have PE on Wednesday and a Friday.

KS1 SATS MEETING: There will be a SATs meeting for all Year 2 parents on Tuesday 30th January at 6pm. Please do try to come along as we will be covering important information about the SATs tests your child will be taking later in the year.

Thank you for your continued support,
Mrs Louise Skeens, Mrs Sam Money, Miss Claire Pledger and
Mrs Karen Critchlow.
Year 2 team