

Half Term Curriculum Overview

Year 2: Spring 1 - 2019

English

- We will be continuing with our Read Write Inc. scheme to teach phonics in small groups as well as daily whole class English lessons. If you have any questions about how we teach reading and writing in our English lessons, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Library

- Our class library slot is Tuesday PM. All library books must be brought back into school before the two week period so they can be returned back into the library system.

Music/ Computing

- Computing: We will have a focus on algorithms and learning how to create and debug codes.
- Music: We will continue to follow the Lancashire Charanga Scheme to learn music.

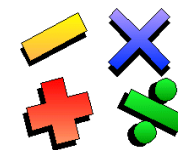
Topic Explorers

- Our main subjects this half term will be History, Design Technology and Geography.
- We will be looking at famous explorers from the past such as Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong. We will be looking at what equipment they needed to explore and why they would be important. This will help the children recognise the distinction between past and present in other people's lives and at different periods of time.
- We will be using basic geographical vocabulary to name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans. We will study a contrasting non-European country as this builds on the knowledge, skills and understanding from our previous topic - The Place Where I Live.
- We will be learning new D&T skills to make a moon buggy for an astronaut explorer.

Maths

TIMES TABLES: To learn 2, 3, 5 and 10s
They will need to know these instantly but also with a focus on the division inverse e.g $3 \times 5 = 15$ so $15 \div 3 = 5$ and $15 \div 5 = 3$

- Number and Place Value
- Mass/weight
- 2D and 3D shape
- Money
- Multiplication and division



PSHE and RE

- We will focus on the religion: Islam. With the focus question 'Does worship have to happen in a special place?'
- In PSHE we will be thinking about 'Living in the Wider World.'

P.E

- Year 2 children have finished swimming now.
- We will have Dance coaching Wednesday AM as well as fundamental movement skills lessons each week.

Homework Project

Homework: Instead of completing weekly Maths/English homework we are asking that you complete at least one homework project each half term based around the current topic. You can be as creative as you like but an example could be to create an information poster of a famous explorer (Neil Armstrong, Christopher Columbus, Captain Scott – These are some explorers we will be researching in class): A reduction in homework means we expect more in terms of spellings and reading. Your child should be reading their home reading book every night and practising their spellings on spelling shed for their weekly spelling test.