

Welcome to 2M's Class Page!

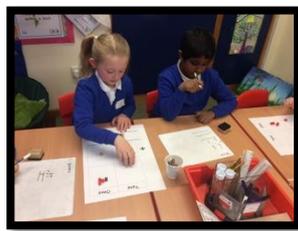
Our theme this term is 'The Big Smoke'. During this topic children will be learning more about Coventry and what makes it special as a city. Children have already begun to think about their favourite places in Coventry and they have created their own repeated prints of key landmarks. Over the course term they will compare the city of Coventry to our capital city of London, learn about the Great Fire and find out about fire safety. We are also looking forward to our visit from the local fire service!



English and Maths

This term in our Maths lessons we have been further developing our understanding of place value, as well as the four main operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). We have been building on our knowledge of previous methods taught through Maths No Problem, as well as learning new mental and written methods to solve calculations. We will also be learning about fractions this term. We will begin by finding fractions of 2D shapes, moving on to finding fractions of amounts. Alongside this we will also be developing our problem solving and reasoning skills in various real life contexts including money, measures and shapes.

In our English lessons we have had so much fun with our learning based around the 'The Twits' by Roald Dahl. We have really enjoyed sharing this book in class and used our speaking, listening and drama skills to familiarise ourselves with the characters and plot. We have also continued to develop our understanding of sentence structure, vocabulary and punctuation across a range of different genres. Alongside this, we are continuing to extend our Grammar knowledge and use of different writing features to make our writing more exciting. We are continuing to consolidate our understanding of the Read Write Inc phonic sounds and Read Write Inc Spelling rules and we are applying this learning in all of our lessons.



2M Class Information

P.E

Our P.E. days are **Mondays** and **Fridays**. We strongly suggest that children keep their P.E. kit in school every day to avoid forgetting it. We will then remind children to take their P.E. kits home each half-term holiday for washing and then expect them to be returned on the first day of the new term. You may also wish to provide your child with warm trousers for outdoor PE sessions.



Home Learning:

We know that you are eager to support your child at home and this is greatly appreciated. Here are our main expectations around home learning:

Reading: In Key Stage 1 we use a 'reading rewards' system to encourage children to read at home as often as possible to continue to develop their fluency and understanding. Please see separate Reading document to explain this further. During this term we will be holding a **Read Write Inc.** parent workshop to demonstrate how synthetic phonics is taught across the school.

Spelling & Handwriting: Children will bring home weekly spellings in their reading diaries, so please ensure that your child is bringing their reading book into school every day and practising these spellings at home. Some children in Year 2 may still be bringing home High Frequency words which they should be practising reading and spelling regularly.

We currently use the unjoined cursive style of handwriting in Years 1 and 2. Please see separate information document for more information about this.

Maths: Children in Year 2 should know their 2, 10, 5 and 3 times tables by the end of the year. It will greatly improve their confidence to be practising these at home too, as well as a range of calculation skills and applying their understanding of number bonds. E.g. If $6 + 4 = 10$, then $60 + 40 = 100$. Here are some useful websites that children can access to support Maths skills:

- <http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks1numeracy.html>
- <http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/game/mal3tabl-game-tables-grid-find>
- <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>