

Year 2's Newsletter

Spring Term 2

Dear Parents, I hope you had a good half term break, here's my Newsletter for Spring 2, it will inform you of what we will be learning this term and how you can help - both at home and at school.

Literacy

Funny Bones by Janet & Allan Alhberg is the focus of our learning this term. We will learn how the authors created this story and look at some of the technical elements used in this story that makes it really fun to read and hear. We will write a new adventure for the characters and create our own class book of Funny Bones.

Numeracy

Data Handling is the first part of our Maths this term, we will learn how to read different graphs and understand why the key is important to collecting the data shown. Then we will use our counting patterns to help us learn about money. We will recognise different values in coins, do simple addition and subtraction sums and then move on to the Word Problems where the children need to work out what strategy to apply to help find the answer.

Topic - Wriggle and Crawl

Let's investigate minibeasts! We will start by going on a minibeast hunt at Shipley Park on Monday 18th March in the afternoon. We will go to see what minibeasts live in the woods and where they like to live - in the trees or on the plants or in the soil? If you are free that afternoon please come and join us. We will be learning fascinating facts about minibeasts and hopefully observe some living in our classroom. To encourage more minibeasts to visit our school we will create some new bug homes for them to live. Please come and help us on Monday 25th March in the afternoon to create these brilliant homes. To do this we will need lots of different materials so start saving recycling materials we could use. We will investigate if snails have noses? And do insects have a favourite colour? There will be lots to create and hopefully everyone will know lots more about minibeasts and why they are such an important part of our

eco-system.

Science

Would you like a pet dinosaur? That's what we are going to find out in Science - if a dinosaur makes a good pet? The children have an opportunity to share their knowledge of dinosaurs and we will try to work out what do you need to give and do for your dinosaur so it can live a long and happy life.

Spellings

Spelling Tests continue every Friday and are linked to our class Phonic lessons. The children will practice words we have met in class and are mainly to do with suffixes and prefixes. They may seem easy to begin with but the children need to apply the correct spelling rule to get these correct.

PE

Our PE lessons will be on Wednesday and Friday afternoons. On Wednesday the children will be taught Dance by me; on Friday the Sports Coach will teach the children another area in PE. If your child wears earrings please ensure your child can remove these before the lesson.

PSHCE

Our focus in PSHCE this term is about growing and changing. The children will learn how the body grows and why these changes take place. We will think about how we learn and celebrate our strengths and how we are all unique.

RE

We are visiting a Gurdwara on Thursday 28th February which starts our learning about Places of Worship. We will compare the Gurdwara with a Church and find out what is the same and different. Towards the end of this term we will learn about Easter and why Christians celebrate this special time.

Book Week is the week starting 4th March. The children can bring their favourite books to school to share with each other in Story Time.

Mr Robertson will be with us for the first three weeks and then he has completed his placement. He has worked hard and the class has enjoyed him being their teacher.

It seems like we have another busy seven weeks ahead!

Miss Raju