

Important dates for Year 2:

Monday 31st January – Friday 4th February – Maths Week

Monday 14th – Friday 18th February – Half term

Friday 1st April – End of term – School closes at 1.30pm

How can I help at home?

- ✓ Please help your child to be organised with their time to ensure homework is completed.
- ✓ Help your child to be organised –
 - Are there any letters for me in your bag?
 - Have you got your reading book?
- ✓ The children should have a PE kit in school every day.
- ✓ Please continue to read with the children at home. A variety of types of reading – them to you, you to them, or silent reading, are all worthwhile.
- ✓ Using comprehension questions when reading is a really helpful way of checking your child's understanding of what they have read.
 - Helpful questions could include:
 - How is the character feeling? How do you know?
 - Where are they going? What tells you this?
 - What do you think will happen next? Why?
 - Which word on that page means the same as ...?
 - What has just happened?

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Year 2 Parent Information Booklet

What your child will be learning about this term and how you can help at home

Spring Term 2022

English

We will be continuing to develop our poetry writing skills with a focus on vocabulary. We will be learning how to take notes and to organise our ideas to create non – chronological reports. We will enjoy reading a wide variety of books and further develop our comprehension skills.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Please encourage your children to practise their spellings each week and ask them about their learning. Encourage them to read daily and ask questions about texts to help to develop comprehension skills.

Maths:

We will be learning to create bar charts, tally charts and pictograms and interpret data. We will learn to use written methods for addition and subtraction. We will also learn to tell the time for o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to. We will learn the 2, 5 and 10 times tables and develop understanding of multiplication and division by grouping.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Counting games, cooking at home – allowing the children to measure the ingredients, reading times on analogue and digital clocks.

R.E:

Books

The children learn about the different books used in Church.

Thanksgiving

The children find out about Mass as a special time to say 'Thank you' to God.

Opportunities

We will learn about Lent as an opportunity to start anew.

PSHE

We will be learning about our own talents and about setting realistic goals for ourselves. We will also be thinking about some of the ways that we can keep healthy.

History – Famous Britons in History

We will learn about some important British people through history (E.g. Elizabeth I, Queen Victoria, L.S. Lowry, William Caxton):

- What legacy did they leave?
- Why are they still important today?
- What can we learn from artefacts from the past?

Geography - The World and Me

- Identify continents, countries and oceans of the world.
- Use maps and atlases
- Examine the local area around our school

Art/ D.T

We will learn to create a moving model with an axle. We will design and make boats and artefacts related to famous people.

We will learn to create a cartoon style drawing and explore the artwork of L.S. Lowry.

Science

Our Local environment

We will learn to identify things that are living, dead or that have never been alive. We will find out about animal and plant habitats. We will also learn about food chains.

Plants We will plant seeds and find out about the conditions needed for plants to grow.

PE: This term we continue to develop our dance skills, learn to jump and land safely in a variety of ways, develop our ball skills using our feet and learn to perform a sequence of movements in gymnastics.

Music: This term we will learn about pulse and rhythm. We will learn about different composers from the past and listen carefully to a range of live and recorded music.

Computing:

We will continue to develop our programming skills and learn to use a program called Scratch. We will continue to think about online safety.

HOW YOU CAN HELP: *Remind children of their responsibility to stay safe online and always use trusted websites. They should not have any social media accounts.*