

YEAR 2

Happy New Year! I am are looking forward to another busy and exciting term with the children. The children have returned back after the holidays ready to learn and have made an excellent start to the term.

English

This half term, will be learning about a range of genres which will include Fairy tales (Rapunzel), Report writing and Poetry. Spellings will continue to be a top priority and the children will have daily phonics sessions and guided reading. Handwriting and Spellings is going to be a 'focus' and children will be encouraged to keep practising this to improve their work.

Reading

In guided reading, children will be encouraged to answer questions about what they have read, giving detailed answers and reasons, to demonstrate their understanding. Please read with your child regularly and make a comment in their school planner and continue to support children with reading. The key skills which the children need to develop are: predicting, inference, information retrieval and vocabulary.

Maths

The children will have lots of experience of adding and subtracting practically to bring the learning to life. We will continue to use various manipulatives to help them understand and solve addition and subtraction problems. Mental strategies will be taught throughout the term. Children will be building their maths fluency and knowledge everyday with quick recap activities and challenges. We will work towards using written methods for both of these. Later in the term, we explore telling the time and multiplication.

Computing

In computing, we will be using the Chromebooks, laptops and iPads. The topics we will be covering are spreadsheets, questioning and effective searching.

PE

PE days are Mondays and Wednesday with a GC Sports coach. Please ensure that your child is in a full, named PE kit on PE days, including outdoor shoes e.g., plimsolls or trainers.

Science

The topic this half term is 'Growth and Survival' which is linked to animals, habitats, human growth and what we need to survive. We will do practical experiments and learn scientific knowledge around these topics.

History

Over the next few weeks, we will be learning about famous explorers and their significance. This includes research about; Neil Armstrong, Christopher Columbus and Amelia Earhart. We will compare their experiences and learn about the different places they explored.

Homework

Creative homework menus will be sent out at the beginning of each half term. All activities need to be completed over the half term. We will then have a homework celebration where children can share their homework. Homework is linked to our topics and includes Maths, English and Creative tasks.

If you have any questions, please contact the office to speak to Miss Ward.

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