

Our Core Values:

Confident, resilient,
independent, co-operative and
kind

Year 2 Autumn 1

Our Motto

Have the Courage to
Succeed

The Year 2s are looking forward to some exciting learning during their first half term.

Music

As musicians, we will learn the song *Your Imagination*. This unit includes listening, appraising and musical activities, as well as giving children the opportunity to improvise, learn and compose to the song using glockenspiels.

Geography

As geographers, the children will be learning about the characteristics of the four countries of the United Kingdom and locating the surrounding seas. They will be learning the names of the continents and discovering why there are hot, temperate and cold places around the world.

Personal, Social & Health Education.

As self-aware and empathetic learners we will be understanding how to be a good friend; including recognising kind and thoughtful behaviours and the importance of caring about other people's feelings. We will also be discussing how to see a situation from another person's point of view.

Enrichment & special Events:

European Day of Languages - Monday 28th September

Black History Month will be celebrated throughout October.

Relentless Routines.

PE: Our PE day is Wednesday. Please come to school wearing the correct PE kit.

Homework: Homework is set on Friday and returned on Thursday. Spelling tests will be on a Friday too.

English

As readers, the children will learn about our class author, Roald Dahl. We will be reading a variety of class books including, *The Twits* and *Esio Trot*. In our Whole Class Guided Reading lessons, we will read a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts and begin to look at answering a range of comprehension questions about them.

As writers, we will be focusing on learning and consolidating how to use full stops and capital letters. We will explore a variety of sentence types and start to use them accurately in our writing. Handwriting and spelling will have a high priority as we extend and consolidate our basic skills.



Mathematics

As mathematicians, we will begin by exploring the place value of 2-digit numbers. We will partition, compare and order them using the less than (<), more than (>) and equals (=) symbols. We will explore numbers on a number line and estimate their position. We will also practise counting in 2s, 5s, 10s and 3s before moving on to addition and subtraction.



DT

As designers, we will be able to explain how to adapt mechanisms using bridges and guides to control movement. We will design a moving storybook for a given audience using levers and sliders. Finally we will review the success of our finished product.

R.E

As respectful thinkers we will be exploring the question "Who is a Muslim and what do they believe?" The children will learn the story of 'Muhammad and the Cat' and know that it shows what Muslims think of God (Allah) and how Muslims should behave. They will learn why Muslims fast during Ramadan and how they celebrate Eid-ul-Fitr

Science

As scientists, we will learn about animals including humans. This unit will teach us what animals need to survive. We will match animals to their offspring and learn about lifecycles. We will learn about food groups and the children will work scientifically to explore the importance of hygiene.

P.E

As athletes we will be developing our agility, balance and co-ordination through a variety of games and activities. P.E is outside this term so please make sure you have jogging bottoms / leggings and a dark blue sweatshirt for when it gets cooler.

Computing

As computing citizens, we will begin the year revising how to log in and out of Purple Mash, along with opening and saving work. We will then go on to complete a Creative Computing unit where we will use Paint tools to create a jigsaw game. In our 2BeSafe lessons, we will look at online and offline identities and understand how to act safely online.



Reading

Books changed: 2SH and 2JL will have their books changed on a Monday.

1/2MK will have their books changed every Friday.



Please hear your child read as often as possible, ideally every day even if only a few minutes! Have a look on our website page for prompts and questions to support your child's reading.