

What we are learning about this half term

<p><u>This half term our projects are:</u> Street Detectives and Towers, Tunnels and Turrets.</p> <p>We will begin the half term with learning about our local environment. The children will become street detectives as they learn about the world under their feet. Later in the term, the children will also begin learning about the historical features of castles.</p>	<p><u>English</u></p> <p>We will be concentrating on using: capital letters, full stops and forming our letters correctly. We will also be using some amazing adjectives to describe.</p> <p>During the first week back, the whole school will be focusing on the book 'Midnight Fair.' Year 2 will be doing lots of art activities and focus on the badger's journey throughout the story.</p> <p><u>Setting Description-</u> We will be describing the different settings in the book 'Belonging' by Jeannie Baker.</p> <p><u>Traditional Tales -</u> We will be writing traditional tales based on the well known story 'Rapunzel. The children will look at the characters and the setting and use adjectives to create a descriptive narrative.</p> <p><u>Instructions-</u> We will be writing a based on the story 'Again!' by Emily Gravett</p>		<p><u>Maths 'Number'</u></p> <p><u>Place Value:</u> We will be practising counting forwards and backwards in 1s, 2s, 5s and 3s. We will also be partitioning numbers into tens and ones. We will develop a deeper understanding of numbers and be able to compare numbers using < > . signs.</p> <p><u>Addition and Subtraction:</u> We will begin to add and subtract numbers using practical maths resources. The children will also be doing 'mastering number' which is based on number facts from 0-20.</p>	<p><u>Art, Design and Technology:</u></p> <p>We are going to plan, design and build a street. We will then review how the project went.</p> <p><u>History and Geography:</u></p> <p>We will be learning about the history of Normanton. The children will look at the similarities and differences between now and then.</p> <p><u>Science:</u></p> <p>We will be exploring the properties and uses of everyday materials. The children will learn what different materials can be used for and the most appropriate materials for different purposes.</p>
<p><u>P.S.H.E: 'Rules and Responsibilities'</u></p> <p>We are learning about rules, rights and responsibilities, creating class charters, understanding the school rules and setting PSHE ground rules (personal, social, health and education)</p>	<p><u>R.E.</u></p> <p>We are learning about Christianity. We will be looking at Bible stories and how to demonstrate kindness.</p>	<p><u>PE:</u></p> <p>In P.E. we will be focusing on physical literacy exercises and multi-skills to support the children's motor skills. Our PE days are Tuesday and Wednesday.</p>	<p><u>Computing:</u> The children will be learning how to be graphic designers.</p> <p><u>Music:</u> The children will be learning the reggae song 'Zoo time'.</p>	
<p><u>Parental Corner</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please ensure that your child brings a water bottle, their book and reading record to school daily. Children who read at home and at school will be in for a chance to take home the 'class reading bag' which contains lots of goodies, a cuddly toy and a great book! If your child wins this, it should be returned on Monday ready to be restocked. <p>As always, our main method of communication will be through Class Dojo. The class teacher will greet parents in the morning between 8:40 and 8:50 and then the classroom doors will be closed so please make sure you were on time.</p>		<p><u>Homework</u></p> <p>All homework will be set on Friday and due the following Friday.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spelling practise will now be set on Sumdog and a copy of the spellings will be sent home to practise handwriting. Maths homework will be on Sumdog. Daily reading at home is expected. We have some lovely, brand-new books; please take care of them. <p>Occasionally, there may be some tasks on Purple Mash for the children to complete. We will tell the children on Friday if there is.</p>		