Greenfield Primary Academy

Year 2

Autumn Term Learning Letter 2026

In English we are learning to write a story with a new setting based on the book 'The Great Explorer'. We will use our best sentence skills to write information about the famous explorer 'Christopher Columbus' using some of our cross curricular vocabulary from our history lessons. We will finish by reading 'The Darkest Dark' and write a story with a new setting.

In Maths we will continue our addition and subtraction strategies and begin to add two 2-digit numbers as our place value knowledge grows. We will begin to understand the value of coins and notes and use our addition and subtraction skills to solve money related problems. We will begin to measure length using non-standard units such as cubes and work towards measuring in cm.

In DT we will study mechanisms.

We will discover how wheels and axles work by looking at existing products.

We will use our knowledge to design and make our own space buggy with moving parts.

Our Learning Theme is …

'The Space Race'

In RE we will learn all about different celebrations in all faiths talked about so far.

We will think about why Passover is sacred to Jewish people, Eid is sacred to Muslim people and the meaning behind the Christmas story for Christians.

In History we will be learning about the Space Race and who won. We will sequence events and learn about animals who went into space. We will research Neil Armstrong and discuss why he is a significant person from the past

In Science we will learn about everyday materials and why different materials are suitable for different purposes. We will investigate materials such as wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard. We will also develop enquiry skills by: Observing closely, identifying and classifying materials. We will carry out simple tests, record observations and use evidence to answer questions and make comparisons.

In RHE/ PSHE we are learning to understand why relationships are important. We will consider how to make friends, keep our friends and make new friends. We will act out friendship scenarios and consider if we could handle conflict differently. We will learn how sharing our feelings is an important part of friendship.

Year 2 Weekly Home Learning Tasks

READING

Please share your child's reading book with them, as **10-15 minutes** of reading **every day** at home can make a lot of difference to your child's reading ability.

Your child MUST bring their book bag into school **every day** so an adult can read with them on their reading day, and any extra days if there is an opportunity.

Please complete your reading book and comprehension questions on Phonics Bug each week which can be found in your Phonics Bug library.

Homework

Homework will be given out every Friday and is due back on Tuesday.

Year 2 Half Term Learning Project



Due back – Tuesday 10th November