

English

Writing/Grammar- This term we are starting with a two-week focus linking to 'The Day the Crayons Quit!' Through this unit we will be looking to develop character descriptions, letter writing and story-telling techniques whilst including lots of role-play activities.

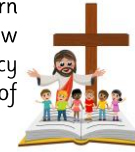
After this, all year 1 and some year 2 children will continue to be taught English through RWI phonics groups. English lessons for the remaining year 2 children will begin with a focus on picture books, stories from familiar settings, traditional tales and explanation/report writing.

Spellings- We will continue to practise spellings daily. Spelling lists will be sent home each week and tested every Friday. Please practise these with your child as often as possible.



Reading- Guided reading sessions are completed daily in class. Please continue to listen to your child read regularly, from their school reading books. Please record when your child has read in their home school records. Books are changed on any days necessary. If your child does finish early, please re-read their books or choose a different book e.g. library book.

RE- Our first unit is 'Creation and Covenant', where children will learn about different parts of the bible, the Old Testament and New Testament and hear the story of Noah. Our second unit is 'Prophecy and Promise', where the focus will be the Holy Spirit in the infancy of Jesus focusing on Luke's Gospel.



Class 2 Autumn Topic Plan



PE and Dance- Our PE lesson will be on Tuesdays each week with Mrs Maher, we will then be incorporating a new physical development area within our continuous provision where children will practise their key fundamental movement skills daily.

Please ensure that your child has their indoor and outdoor PE kit in school, every week. If you're child has plain stud earrings these need to be either removed or tape provided to cover them during sessions.

Music- We will be learning to listen, appraise and compose music on glockenspiels this term to 'Hands, Feet, Heart'.



History- We will find out about the remarkable life of Florence Nightingale - her youth, her famous voyage to Scutari, and the work she did there, as well as the work she did in her later years to improve nursing and hospital care.

Geography- Our topic this term will be 'beside the seaside', where children will be comparing the local area with seaside and learning how to look after the seaside when we visit.

Science- This half term our science topic is 'Animals including humans- how we grow and stay healthy.' Learning will focus on areas of growth, life cycles from babies to adults, basic human needs, healthy food and exercise. During each term we will also be looking at seasonal changes.

Nature- As part of our nature focus the children will be participating in nature walks, woodland observations and the children will also be continuing their 'Forest Schools' sessions approximately every three weeks. You will be notified when your child is in this session- please ensure they have the appropriate outdoor clothing and footwear with them, even if it is raining, we may still go outdoors.

Computing – During the autumn term the children will be exploring Purple Mash to practise coding and focusing on how to stay safe online.

Mathematics

During the Autumn term the children will begin to further develop their understanding of place value and number. Then we will focus on measures- length, mass and weight, applying learnt skills from the place value unit. Towards the end of this half term the children will focus on developing their addition and subtraction skills and methods.

Throughout the next half term, we will focus on counting, multiplying and fractions. By the end of year 2, children are expected to recall their 2-, 5- and 10-times tables so it would be great if you can practise these facts at home too!

Problem solving and reasoning activities will be embedded into lessons and extended within our continuous provision areas to help deepen their understanding further.



Continuous Provision- This year children in both year groups will have access to our new and improved continuous provision areas! We have been working hard on our new areas which will be incorporated daily into our timetable to help children extend their learning using hands on, physical challenges inside and outside.

We now have the following areas - construction, small world, fine motor, role play (linking to History or Geography), writing, maths, calm corner, investigation and RE.

We will be incorporating these areas more into our daily teaching and these areas will include 'enhancements' which link directly to the outcomes of our lessons.

PSHE- Our theme for this term is 'Me and my Relationships.' The children will be learning about making friends, being happy and recognising that bullying is an inappropriate behaviour.

Art - As part of our topic on 'Heroes and Villains' the children will be designing and decorating their own superhero masks, linking to the sculpture artist Michelle Reader.



DT- We will design and create a pop-up book/card, linking to a Christmas theme!

This topic plan is an outline of the learning planned for your child this term, so you can if you wish enhance learning in school, at home. Please note it may be changed as learning is influenced and directed by the children in lessons.