

Year Group: Year 2

Teachers: Mr Cogan, Mrs Cooper and Mrs Linstead

English– Writing:

This half term we will be working hard to increase our stamina for writing and our editing skills as we begin to write longer pieces. We will be exploring the use of coordinating and subordinating conjunctions and applying these within our writing.

We will be exploring the texts ‘Man on the Moon’, ‘The Three Billy Goats Gruff’ and ‘How The Grinch Stole Christmas’. Through these texts we will be creating diary entries, writing our own stories and creating a set of instructions to trap Santa!

English– Reading:

We will be continuing our daily phonics practice, helping our children to read confidently and speedily. Please support your child by reading with them regularly. Don’t forget to log these on Marvellous Me so that they can take part in the half termly reading treat!

Maths

We will continue to develop our addition and subtraction skills before being introduced to multiplication. We will explore the different relationships between numbers and look out for the patterns we notice.

Don’t forget to log in and engage with Numbots regularly and keep an eye out for our competitions!

Physical Education

Our PE unit this half term is gymnastics. We will focus on how to keep ourselves safe during physical exercise and whilst moving equipment, how to perform a range of balances, jumps and rolls.

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Movers and Shakers

In this unit we will explore a range of significant historical figures from our own locality and beyond!

We will learn about two significant explorers: Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus. We will learn about their voyages of discovery, especially relating to technological advancements. We will explore why they are significant and investigate the impact that they had on



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PSHE

In this Puzzle (unit) we will talk about the similarities and differences between people and learn about what makes us unique and special. The children learn what bullying is and what it isn’t. They talk about how it might feel to be bullied and when and who to ask for help. The children talk about friendship, how to make friends and that it is OK to have differences from their friends.

DT

Our DT Topic will be Remarkable Recipes! This project teaches children about sources of food and tools used for food preparation. They also discover why some foods are cooked and learn to read a simple recipe. The children choose and make a new school meal that fulfils specific design criteria. Ready, Steady, Cook!

Computing

In computing we will be exploring digital photography and learning how we can capture, edit and improve digital images.

Science

As scientists we will explore materials. We will rise to the challenge of fixing a torn umbrella, explore different materials and answer the questions: how can we know that this material will not let the rain through? We will then investigate the absorbency and waterproofing of materials.

RE

As theologians we will be learning about sacred books. We will learn and retell stories from the Bible and talk about issues of good and bad, right and wrong arising from the stories. We will also look at the Muslim sacred book and explore some of the similarities and differences.

Music

Our music unit this half term is Rhythm In The Way We Walk and Banana Rap which is focused around two songs: Rhythm In The Way We Walk (Reggae style) and The Banana Rap (Hip Hop style). You can help your child by listening to different styles of music, finding the pulse of the song and identifying the different instruments within the piece.