Year Group: *Year 2*

Teachers: *Mr Coglan, Mrs Cooper and Mrs Linstead*

English– Writing:

This half term we will be focusing on developing our stamina for writing whilst checking our work to ensure that it makes sense throughout. We will be writing our own stories based on the Lighthouse Keepers Lunch and then moving on to writing a non – fiction text about lifeboats. We will also be learning how to effectively and accurately include subordination in our writing (when/if/that/ because) .

English– Reading:

We will be continuing our daily phonics practice, helping our children to read confidently and fluently. We will also be having a big focus on developing our comprehension skills so that we are able to explore texts in greater depth.

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

This half term we will continue to develop our multiplication and division skills for the 2, 5 and 10 tables. We will look at the inverse relationship between these operations and delve deeper into solving problems with more than one step.

Don't forget to keep working on your NumBots to earn the next certificate!

Physical Education

Watch out for the next generation of 'street dancers!' We will be kicking off the new year with some amazing street dance routines. From canon choreography to performing simple sequences with a ranges of balances, transitions, levels and speeds. Listen out for details of our inter-school dance competition!

Coastline

In this unit we will be learning about the continents, countries, oceans and seas around the world. We will also be exploring physical and human geography with a key focus on the coastal area of Whitby. We will explore how physical geography changes over time and the impacts that humans have had.

PSHE

In this Puzzle, the children explore setting realistic goals and how they can achieve them. They will discuss perseverance when they find things difficult as well as learning to recognise their strengths as a learner. The children consider group work and reflect on with whom they work well and with whom they don't. They also reflect on sharing success with other people. This will link to our learning goal of resilience.

Computing

In computing we will be learning all about robots and algorithms. We will be creating and debugging programs, and using logical reasoning to make predictions.

Science

As Scientists we will be exploring 'Changing Seasons'. We will be learning about why seasons occur and how the length of daylight changes throughout the year. We will be going on a seasonal walk, making observations of seasonal changes and working scientifically to ask and answer questions. We will explore how we can measure weather and set up our investigations to measure

RE

As theologians we will be exploring the question: Who is Jewish and what do they believe? The children will be exploring how people of the Jewish faith remember God in different ways

Music

Our unit this half term is: ' Wanna Play in a Band'. This is a rock song especially written for children. As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song, we will listen and appraise classic Rock songs such as 'We Will Rock You' and 'Johnny B. Goode'. As we develop our confidence in performing with our voices, we will begin to use the glockenspiels to add our own compositions.

Art

This project teaches children about the visual elements of flowers, including shape, texture, colour, pattern and form. They also explore various artistic methods, including drawing, printmaking and 3-D forms, using paper and clay. Children will complete this unit by sculpting their own clay flower inspired by the work of Yayoi Kusama.