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Year 2 Spring 2 Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you had an enjoyable half-term and feel refreshed for another busy term. The children have already made a fantastic start to their learning this half term. and are very excited for our new topics. As before, I will be teaching the class daily except Thursday which will be covered by Mrs Pickhaver. The class will be supported by Mrs Jarvis (Mon, Tues, Wed and Friday am) and Miss Delaney (Thurs and Friday pm). Attached is an overview of what the children will be learning and exploring this half term.

General Information:

- Please can you ensure that your child has a **water bottle, school bag and coat** in school **every day**.
- Any snacks brought in for break-time should be healthy. A growing number of chocolate bars and cakes have been appearing, this is not permitted at snack-time.
- Please ensure that **shoulder length hair is tied back** away from your child's face to aid classroom learning. If your child comes to school with their hair loose, we will be providing hair ties so it can be tied back.
- PLEASE ENSURE ALL SCHOOL UNIFORM INCLUDING JUMPERS AND WELLIES ARE NAMED! It is very difficult to reunite a jumper to it's correct owner with no names.

PE:

We will continue to have PE on a Tuesday so please ensure your child is wearing their school PE kits on those days.

Welly Wednesday:

Sessions will continue to take place every Wednesday afternoon. Children should come to school dressed in their outdoor clothing; **jeans are not appropriate**. This must include clothing that children can wear without worry of mud or damage. Wellies must be brought in a separate bag – please ensure they are named!

As the session leader I am required to risk assess the children and make the decision as to whether they are showing safe behaviours to partake in Welly day. Whilst I understand a cancelled session is upsetting for the children; ultimately, I am responsible for the safety of your children during these sessions. As a class we can all explain the expected behaviours for welly sessions and the children understand that they need to work as a team to show safe behaviours.

Homework:

The children will continue to bring home a new piece of homework each Friday and this will need to be **returned to school the following Thursday**. Thank you very much for the effort made with homework so

far! This half term homework will be spellings and a small spelling test will be given each Friday. The spellings will be individual to your child based on assessments completed this past week.

I have been so impressed with the vast improvement with reading this term. Please take the time to read with your child daily and note any reading in their reading record. I also listen to each child at least once a week to keep a check on progress and understanding.

Dates for the Diary:

Back to school for Spring 2 term: Monday 21st Feb

World Book Day: Thursday 3rd March

Zoo Trip: Thursday 24th March

Last day of Spring 2 term: Friday 1st April

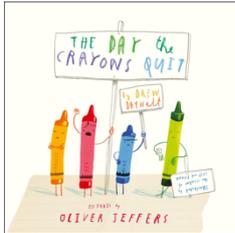
Start of Summer Term: Wednesday 20th April

Kind regards

Miss Flower and Mrs Pickhaver

English

This half term we are focussing on 'The Day the Crayons Quit' concluding with writing our own persuasive letter. Pupils will also continue to develop their knowledge of sentence structure, remembering to always start a sentence with a capital letter and use different punctuation.



Spelling

Pupils will be introduced to spelling patterns for the first time and these will be taught daily. However, the children will still be encouraged to use their phonics knowledge when writing an unfamiliar word.

Reading

This half term we will continue with guided reading sessions and help the children to extract information from a text in order to answer questions. We will also enjoy a selection of picture and chapter books at the end of the school day to grow our love of reading and books.

Handwriting

Pupils are being reminded of correct letter formation this half term in readiness to begin cursive writing later this year.

Mathematics

This half term we will be introduced to fractions. Pupils will also learn about geometry, position and direction. Finally, we will refresh our knowledge of money.

We will also continue to practice our 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

History

We are exploring the Royal family. Pupils will study Elizabeth I and Elizabeth II. Discovering similarities and differences between the two. We will also learn about the Platinum Jubilee. We hope to even write a letter to the queen!

Vocabulary: monarch,



Royal, King, Queen, Succession, Family Tree, Coronation, throne, castle, heir, rule, reign, crown

Religious Education

How do Jewish people celebrate Passover? We will also explore the Christian story of Easter.

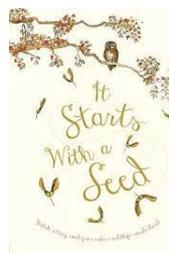
Vocabulary: Judaism, Matzah, Bread, Moses, Passover, Pesach, Seder Plate, Pharaoh, Egypt, Israelites, Torah

Science

In science we will focus on plants including observation skills and exploring how they grow and develop. We will investigate different things plants need to survive and will try to grow our own plants.

Vocabulary:

wild plants, garden plants, deciduous, evergreen, tree, trunk, branches, leaf, root, plant, leaves, bud, flowers, blossom, petals, stem, fruit, vegetables, bulb, seed, water, light, temperature, grow, healthy, germination, reproduction



Art and Design

We will explore the works of different portrait artists and will use a variety of materials to make our own self-portraits.

Vocabulary:

Portrait, Features, Painting, self-portrait, realistic, unrealistic, line drawing, cold colour, warm colour, watercolour, materials

Music

We will focus on 'The Friendship Song'. Pupils will listen to and appraise the music, create their own compositions, and explore the music with their voice.

Vocabulary

pulse, rhythm, pitch, improvise, compose, audience, melody, perform

Computing

We are going to be exploring digital music and digital photography.

Geography

We will continue to develop our map skills and learn how to use a compass. Pupils will explore maps, look at things from a 'bird's eye view' and look at aerial photographs to spot human and physical features.

Vocabulary:

compass, key, map symbol, atlas, globe, map, ocean, country, city, town, countryside, north, south, east, west

PE

On Tuesdays the pupils will work on a unit which focusses on dances and sequenced movements. Pupils will develop their control, agility and coordination.

Welly Wednesday

We will explore our self-portraits outside with loose parts and build a natural Easter Garden. Children will be given the chance to explore the mud kitchen, make dens and pursue their own ideas.