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Year 2

Newsletter

What we will be doing to settle into Year 2:

In Year 2 we will come into Block 3 on our own. **Bears** and **Raccoons** will enter through the doors opposite the trim trail and **Koalas** will enter through the door up the slope to the dining hall (round the back of Block 3). There will be a member of staff on each door, to pass on any messages if needed.



Core Curriculum:

English

Reading books will be changed on Tuesdays and Fridays. Please remind your child to put their book and planner in the reading box every day.

This half term we will be learning to write a recount, as well as looking at stories from other cultures. We will learn to innovate our own story, based on one of the stories we share.

Maths

We will begin the term by developing our knowledge about place value. This will include using the operations of addition and subtraction, as well as comparing numbers. We will also apply this knowledge to answer word problems.

Science

This term's theme for science is materials. We will be finding out about different materials and their properties, exploring natural and man-made materials and how materials can be changed.

Topic

This half term we will begin by learning all about the 'Great Fire of London', including how it started and why it spread so quickly. We will then be focusing on Africa; this will include making comparisons between life in Africa and where we live. We will be getting creative with fabric and learning about the 'big five' game animals.

Other areas of the Curriculum:

Computing

We will be learning all about the parts of a computer, remembering how to log on and log off and how to keep safe online.

Music

This half term we will be exploring the dimensions of music, including pulse, rhythm and pitch, through singing and playing instruments. We will also be listening to and appraising different styles of African music.

PE

Making further links with our topic, we will be learning a traditional African dance.

In our outdoor PE lesson we will be building on our fundamental movement skills, (agility, balance and co-ordination) in multi-skills lessons.

PSHCE and Values

Our school values this half term will be 'friendship'.

RE

In RE we will be thinking about what the good news Christians believe Jesus brings. We will also be looking at Christians views on peace and forgiveness.



Reminders/Key dates:

Autumn term

4 September - 20 December

Half term

21 October - 25 October

Training Day

18 October

Wow Day! - Woburn Safari Park

(More details to follow)

School Photos

23 September

Macmillan Coffee Morning

27 September

Parents' Evenings

15 October

17 October



Values

Friendship

