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Year 2

Newsletter

What we have been up to:

In Year 2 we have been.....



enjoying Performing Arts.



Learning how to add a 2 digit number to a 2 digit number.



Learning about portraits.

English

This half term we will be looking at the story of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' before writing our own version. We will then move on to looking at how to write a set of instructions where we will be focusing on using time connectives, imperative verbs and punctuation. Throughout all our English lessons we will continue to emphasise the importance of basic sentence structure; capital letters, full stops, formation and finger spaces. We will be also be starting weekly spellings after the half term (**more details to follow**).

Maths

We will continue to work on our addition and subtraction skills this half term, using the different methods we have learnt. We will then be moving onto looking at money and finding out about different coin values and adding and subtracting coins to find totals.

Please encourage your children to practice with coins, at home to reinforce the work done in school.

Science

This half term we will be continuing to explore different materials and we will be getting involved in experiments about waterproof materials.

History/Geography

This half term, we have a geography focus where we will be exploring our wonderful world. We will be looking at continents, climates and will be comparing and contrasting three different countries.

Computing

We will be recognising uses of IT. We will also be learning about how to be safe online and being careful with our personal information and passwords.

Performing Arts

In Year 2 pupils study Performing Arts on a rotation. Pupils will have two terms of music, a half term of drama and a half term of dance.

Through drama, pupils are learning how to use characterisation skills (voice, body language and facial expression) to tell a story to the audience.

In dance, pupils will be performing dance movements through the stimulus 'Fire and Ice', using simple choreography steps to create their own dance pieces.

Music lessons are focusing on learning about pitch, note values, reading notes on the treble and rhythm through whole class glockenspiel playing, singing and percussion teaching.

PE

In PE we will be continue to build on our fundamental movement skills (agility, balance and coordination) in multi-skills lessons.

RE

We will be thinking all about how and why we celebrate special times and events. Starting with the children's special times and we will move on to special times in different religions.

Personal Development

In PD we will continue to follow the Jigsaw framework. Our unit is

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Celebrating Differences. Jigsaw Jo will help us with our learning.

Art/DT

This half term we will be focusing on design technology, where we will be designing and making our own pizzas.

Reminders/Key dates:

Autumn term

End of Autumn term

17 December

Foxes and Badgers - multi-skills at Mark Rutherford School
8 November

Flu immunisations

25 November

Panto trip

10 December

During this half term all year 2 children will sit the phonics screening check that was missed in June due to Covid-19.

Ways to help at home

Please keep practicing reading and spelling the 100 key words sent home with your child. Formation is very important. If your child forms a letter incorrectly please reinforce the

The Year 2 team are:

Miss New
(2 Badgers)

Mrs Grassi
(2 Foxes)

Miss Pumphrey
(2 Hedgehogs)