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Year 2

Newsletter

What we have been up to:

In Year 2 we have been...

making pizzas in DT choosing our favourite toppings.



We also made jam sandwiches and ate them. This was part of our English unit about instructional writing.

In geography we have been learning about the seven continents and five oceans.



As part of RE the children have looked at celebrations in different faiths.



Curriculum:

English

In English we will be looking at Traditional Tales, identifying the features and sequence of events. After this we move on to a unit of Poetry exploring different vocabulary and creative ideas.

Maths

We will be moving onto statistics, where the children will be able to create their own tally charts, pictograms and bar charts by gathering data from the class. After this, we will be learning about the names and properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

Science

In science we are learning about 'Animals, including humans'. We will be learning about how animals change as they grow, what a healthy diet looks like, how we need to exercise and the importance of keeping ourselves clean.

History

Our Topic for this half term is 'Great Explorers'. We will be looking at a variety of significant explorers from different decades, identifying their role in the world as we know it today and the challenges they would have faced.

Art

In Art this half term, we are learning about the artist Monet and landscapes. We will be sketching outlines, exploring colour and using different techniques to create our pictures.

Curriculum:

Computing

This half term we will be looking at data handling, creating and interpreting different graphs and charts before moving on to exploring simple programming.

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 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

For indoor PE this half term we will be continuing with gymnastics, looking at moving in different ways, balancing, making shapes with our bodies, balancing and exploring different jumps.

In outdoor PE we will be continuing with ball skills, learning to pass balls using our hands and feet, shooting at targets and controlling a ball safely.

Reminders/Key dates:

**Back to school on
4 January 2022**

Spring term 2022

4 January - 1 April

Half term

14 February - 18 February

Easter Holiday

4 April - 19 April
(returning on the 20 April)

Training day

19 April

RE

We are going to be finding out about special books. We will be learning the names of the different special books and to which religion they belong. We will also be looking at how they show respect to them and the different customs people follow when using them.

Personal Development

We will be focusing on our dreams and goals. Thinking about our own achievements and successes so far and planning what future goals we could have.

Wow Day!

This half term we are hoping to have the smoothie bike in, (Covid permitted).

Nothing will need to be provided for this activity.