

Curriculum Booklet Year 2 – Spring 2024

English



Our key texts this term The Great Fire of London' by Emma Adams and James Weston Lewis, in which the children explore London in the present and the past. Our second key text is 'Shackleton's Journey' by William Grill. Through these texts, the children will learn the following skills: the features of a diary, past tense, exclamation mark, coordinating (or/and/but) and subordinating (when/if/that/because) conjunctions, commas to separate items in a list, apostrophe to mark singular possession and paragraphs ordered in chronological order.

Maths

Our main focuses in maths this term are division, measure, shape and fractions. The children will learn standard units of measure and look at how to use a ruler and metre stick to measure length. They will look at weight and temperature. They will recap the names of shapes, drawing shapes and creating patterns. In fractions the children will learn what halves, quarters and thirds are. They will also compare these fractions and order them.



Science



Our Science topics this term is 'Uses of Everyday materials.' The children will learn about different materials and their properties. They will learn which everyday materials are

man made and which are natural.

The children will also look into the purposes of different materials and why some materials are better suited than others for certain purposes.

History



Geography

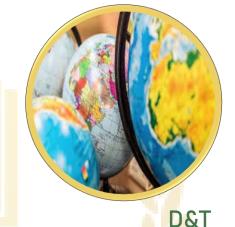
As historians, the children will be learning about the Great Fire of London and Antarctica.

They will use different sources of information to learn about the past and understand the chronology of events on a timeline. They will also learn about Samuel Pepys and the diary he wrote.

When looking at Antarctica, we will learn what an explorer is and some of those who have explored Antarctica.

As geographers, the children will learn about the different rivers across Europe.

The children will learn about the five primary rivers in Europe and the routes in which they take. We will then look at an Ice Biome and where they are in the world.





This term in D&T we will be covering solid structures and the children will create their own igloo.

The children will look at how an igloo is structured and how you place the bricks is important to the structure and how strong it will be. They will use sugar cubes and glue guns to create their igloos.

Art

As artists, the children will take inspiration from John Constable and look at how he created his landscape paintings. They will look at some of the techniques he used to create his landscapes.





In RE, the children will learn about different celebrations that are celebrated around the world. We will focus on the celebrations of Holi, Eid and Easter.

The children will look at how they are celebrated and how they are similar and different to celebrations they celebrate.

Computing

This term in Computing we will develop our understanding of the term 'data' and how data can be collected in the form of a tally chart. They will learn the term 'attribute' and use this to help them organise data. The children will then progress onto presenting data in the form of pictograms and finally block diagrams. They will use the data presented to answer questions.





This term in PE we will be developing our dance and gymnastics skills.

The children will link actions to perform short dances, repeat and remember simple movement patterns, demonstrate stillness in a range of shapes and explore actions that express ideas for a dance.

This term in Music we will be learning to recognise verse and choruses, name lyrics that shift the pitch and recognise that there is a second part that repeats over and over again. They will listen to composers from the Baroque Period and learn to sing a song with sign language.



Home Learning



Our Home Learning is set every Friday and will need to be completed by the following Friday. There will be one Writing/ Reading/ Grammar or History/Geography activity set each week. The children will also be expected to read for 10 minutes every day and practise their times tables using Times Tables Rock Stars. We would also like the parents to leave a comment about their child's reading in the Reading Record which is provided as part of the Home learning.

