

Curriculum Booklet

Year 2 – Summer 2025

English



Some of our key texts this term are 'Mo's Best Friend', 'Cave Baby', 'Stone Age Boy' and 'How to wash a woolly mammoth'. The children will have opportunities retell stories, write an informal letter, write instructions and write a scientific explanation. As part of our clever writer scheme, pupils will learn new grammar and punctuation skills this term and be encouraged to embed previously taught skills. They will expand their bank of vocabulary to be able write more imaginatively.

Maths

This term, we will be revisiting the children's number and place value learning from earlier in the year. We will also revise and explore different mental and written methods for solving addition, subtraction, multiplication and division equations. The children will also learn about 2D and 3D, how to order fractions, find fractions of amounts and read the time on digital and analogue clocks.



Science

Our Science topics this term are Everyday Materials and Animals and their Habitats.

The children will learn about materials used during the Stone Age period as well as the life cycles and habitats of different animals.

Through these topics, the children will learn about the work of famous scientists including Leonardo da Vinci and Steve Irwin.



History

As historians, the children will be learning about the Stone Age. We will use a range of artefacts and non-fiction texts to explore our enquiry question; how did ancient Britons lives change during the Stone Age? Pupils will have the opportunity to describe how people survived, including hunting, gathering, moving to find food and using fire and tools. They will also learn about the importance of farming and describe how new metals in the Bronze and Iron Ages changed tools, farming and communities.



Geography

As geographers, the children will engage in a comprehensive study of Australia. They will investigate the geographical location of Australia, focusing particularly on the Australian outback and the renowned Great Barrier Reef. Moreover, the children will delve into the rich cultural heritage of Australia by exploring the indigenous communities that shape the country's identity. They will link this learning to their science topics of animals and their habitat by learning about the ecosystems and living things which live in Australia.



D&T

This term in Design and Technology (D&T), our focus will be on cooking. Children will have the opportunity to prepare a vegetable stew inspired by our topic of the Stone Age. Throughout this unit, children will develop skills in peeling, slicing, dicing, and cooking a variety of vegetables. The aim is to enhance their understanding of nutrition, hygiene, and the importance of following a recipe accurately.



Art

As artists, the children will take inspiration from *The Swimming Reindeer*, a 13,000-year-old Magdalenian sculpture of two swimming reindeer, and create their own carvings using clay. They will also explore *'The Beauty of Flowers'* by Georgia O'Keeffe. Children will delve into the artistic techniques and cultural significance behind these works, fostering creativity and appreciation for art history.





In R.E., the children will learn about worship and prayer in different religions. They will focus on worship and prayer in Christianity and Islam, and think about the similarities and differences between them.

The children will also discuss what sense of belonging is and the different ways individuals contribute positively to the communities they are a part of.

Computing

This term in Computing, the children will be exploring digital music, creating rhythms and beats on Chrome Music lab and programming quizzes, designing and programming on Scratch. This hands-on experience will not only enhance their programming skills but also develop their problem-solving abilities, critical thinking, and logical reasoning.



This term in PE, the children will be developing practical skills and knowledge in order to participate and enjoy net games.

They will learn how to copy and remember actions, move with some control and awareness of space, and develop catching techniques. The focus on net games aims to enhance their coordination, spatial awareness, and teamwork skills in a fun and engaging environment.



Music

This term, This term in Music, the children will be exploring funk music. They will also learn to play multiple songs on the Glockenspiel, including Twinkle Twinkle Little Star. The children will also learn about musical theatre and explore a number of different musicals. Pupils will be learning about different musicians. This will involve listening to various types of music, watching music being performed, exploring books about different musicians and genres of music. The aim is to broaden their musical horizons and engage the children creatively with a variety of musical genres.



Home Learning

This term our Home Learning will consist of:

- Weekly maths activity set on Maths.co.uk to be completed independently.
- Either foundation or themed based home-learning weekly, 2 or 3 activities from the list should be completed.
- To read a minimum of 4 times a week and sign this in the reading record to show this has been completed.

