

Year 2 Autumn Term 2

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Theme: This half term our theme is 'Let's celebrate!' Each week we shall be celebrating and focusing on a different aspect of the curriculum. Our first week is all about Bonfire night. Week 2 will have an arts and crafts focus. Week 3 will be celebrating enterprise week with our fantastic enterprise fair! Our fourth and fifth week will be science weeks. Week 6 will be all about celebrating technology and as we head towards the festive season, weeks 7 and 8 will be all about Christmas around the world! We shall also be taking part in the whole school theme International week which will take place during the first week back. The two countries that year 2 will focus on are Scotland and Fiji. The following week will also include an anti-bullying focus.

Links to theme...

Week 1 – Within the first week children will be creating firework pictures using a range of media and lots of glitter! We shall be learning about the Gunpowder plot and why Bonfire night is celebrated on 5th November every year.

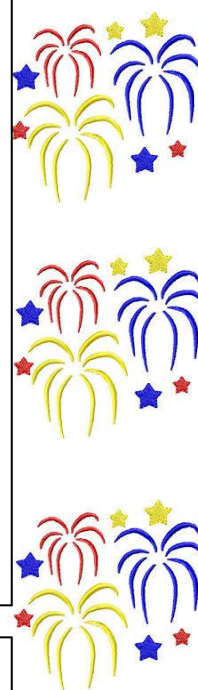
Week 2 – We shall be making lots of arts and crafts in preparation for the Enterprise fair. This will include using salt dough, making bookmarks, class photos as well as creating games for others to play at the event.

Week 3 – This week we shall be carrying out the Enterprise fair and working on our advertising campaigns!

Week 4/5– This week will involve lots of different practical science investigations! We will be learning about famous scientists and creating fact files all about them.

Week 6 – There will be a strong focus this week on computing. We shall be learning about different types of technology and their uses as well as producing and recording work using class cameras and ipads.

Week 7 and 8 – There will a focus during these weeks on religious education as we learn about how Christmas is celebrated around the world. We will also look at other celebrations during this time.



Other subjects

Our weekly P.E. lessons will continue on Wednesday mornings. Our visits to the KS1 library will continue to be each Thursday. Our music lessons will involve learning the songs for the Christmas play. Rehearsals for this will begin in week 4.

To support your child this term you could:

Collect examples of advertisements.

Find out about a famous scientist.

Research how Christmas is celebrated around the world.

English

This half term children will continue with their daily phonics sessions. As children become more confident with their early reading and phonics skills, we shall be moving towards reading comprehension work to further develop children's questioning and understanding of texts. We shall continue with daily spelling games. This half term we shall be looking at range of genres in our English lessons. These will include advertising, Investigative fact files and instructions. Come and see our whizzy writing at open door sessions and on our class writing walls.

Maths

This half term there will be a strong money focus as we take part in the annual enterprise fair. We shall also be learning about length and mass. We shall we carrying out a week looking at graphs and charts as part of our data handling work. We will also be taking our first look this year at multiplication and division. Within each of these units, we shall be developing children's reasoning, fluency and problem solving skills. We will continue with activities that encourage children to find all possibilities.

Special events/Dates

Enterprise fair (KS1) – Thursday 16th November

KS1 Christmas dinner – Thursday 14th December

Year 2 Christmas play – Wednesday 13th December

Whole school carol concert – Monday 18th December

Please see whole school diary dates for additional info.

Kind request...

Please can children complete an item from the homework menu and their maths homework each week. We shall continue to spellings home for those that wish to practise at home.