

Autumn Term 2016- Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome to the new school year! These are all the exciting things we will be covering in our new topic.

Topic:

It's all about me this term. We will be identifying history as the study of things that have happened in the past, ordering life events chronologically. We will identify what a family tree is, what it shows and exploring examples of family trees. Year 2 will also get the chance to construct a family tree. We are going to explore what childhood is like now and making comparisons between now and then, including aspects such as toys, food, technology and family.

PE:

A Newcastle Falcons Coach will join us for the first half term to help us to learn the many different skills involved in Rugby; team work, passing and throwing. While in the second half of the term we will be learning to swirl, whirl and swing, as we learn to dance with Cheryl Day.



Science: We'll be investigating healthy eating, what a balanced diet is and why exercise is necessary? We will also be learning to identify parts of the body, along with the different stages of human development. Year 2 will be tasting, smelling, touching, looking and listening to test our five senses in a variety of ways.

Weekly events

Spelling test: will be every Thursday. The children's scores can be found at the back of their homework book.

Reading Challenge: Children who read 3 times a week will receive a certificate each week. Please can reading records come in every day to help us with this and adults please remember to sign and date the book each time your child reads. At the end of each half term they will be rewarded with a prize.

Homework: The half term of homework is given at the beginning of term. It needs to be completed each week and brought back to school by Thursday at the latest. If there are any problems, please don't worry, just pop a note in their reading record or come in and see us.



Computing: We'll be learning how to take photos of ourselves and editing them. We will also be creating multi-media presentations about favourites (e.g. colour, sport, animal, etc.), including photos and sounds.

Geography:

As part of our topic we will be looking at our local area - Describing where we live, exploring the difference between rural and urban areas and identifying which best describes our local area, identifying the services and features available in their immediate locality