



Autumn Term 2017

Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter



We will be exploring Rainforests this term

Rainforests are a kind of forest habitat. They are found in warm places and are full of many tall trees and leafy plants. It's called 'rainforest' because it also gets a lot of rain every year, helping all of the plants grow. Rainforests are home to millions of different kinds of plants and animals and it's important to protect the rainforest as they produce lots of the oxygen that all of us in the world need to breathe.



Federation Day:

We will be hosting this term's Federation Day, our friends from Walton will join us on Tuesday 26th September.



PE: In the first half term we will have a coach for Multi-Skills/Rugby.

The second half term we will have Cheryl Day for Dance. The children will need a full kit every Tuesday in school.

Monday at Willowburn:

Autumn 1 =Swimming
Autumn 2 = Bouldering Wall

Art & Design:

We will be printing with paints to create some paper for our Harvest Gifts. Then we will go on to investigate the work of Henri Rousseau linked to our Rainforest topic. Followed by some fabulous Christmas Creations!



Weekly Events

Spelling Test: Spellings are given out in advance at the beginning of each $\frac{1}{2}$ term and the children will have their test each Thursday. Their scores will be recorded in the back of their homework book. Now the children are in Year 2, they will be writing all of the given spelling words within a sentence.

Reading Challenge: We will continue to monitor the children's reading and expect the children to be reading at least 3 times per week at home. The children whom are successful with this will receive a certificate at the end of each half term and a small prize. Please can reading records come in every day to help us with this, and please remember to sign and date the book each time your child reads.

Homework



Homework: There will be weekly homework tasks set in addition to their spelling and reading practice. In our classroom we have a homework tray so the children can hand in their books whenever they would like to. If there are any problems with the homework, please don't worry, just pop a note in their reading record or come in and see us.

Geography: We will be comparing life in Longhorsley with the Amazon ... the climate, the local area, houses, lifestyles, animals etc. In doing so, we will be beginning to understand the human and physical geography of these two different places. Maps, compasses and suitcases at the ready!

R.E

We will be exploring the following themes:

- Harvest
- Creation Story
- Judaism and Sukkot
- Christmas and the Good News

Science: We will be asking questions, making predictions and carrying out investigations. We will learn how to plan a fair test and record the observations we have made.

