

English

In the first few weeks, we will be focusing on establishing where the children are in their learning. We will be looking at reading, spellings, handwriting, sentence writing and phonics. Once we have established the children's needs and have got to know them better, they will take part in daily English lessons where we will be studying two storytelling texts - Rumble in the Jungle and The Tortoise and the Hare. In these sessions, we will be using Pie Corbett's storytelling approach where the children learn the text off by heart using a story map, encounter ideas to help and inspire them in their own writing and then under guidance prepare their own stories and poems.

In addition to this, your child will either take part in a thirty minute daily whole class reading session or will go into a separate bubble to continue their learning using the RWI phonics scheme of work. If your child is part of this RWI group, please ensure that they are following up on the work carried out in the classroom using the sound sheets and reading books that will go home every Friday. The books have instructions to follow to best help your child.

Please can all parents sign the reading diaries to let us know that the texts have been read.

Handwriting and spelling practice will also take place on a daily basis and we have put some activities to help your child with their progress on our homework menu for the half-term.

Mathematics

During the first few weeks, we will focus on identifying where the children are in their learning by focusing on the units of place value, addition, subtraction and shape. As in Year 1, the children will continue to embed concepts and understanding through the use of the concrete method (apparatus) and pictorial method (jottings).

Alongside this Year 2, will focus on learning the 2x tables through the use of action tables. This approach is a practical way of helping the children to recall the tables and then use these facts to help them make the link with division. It would be fantastic if all children could practise these actions at home to ensure they can use and apply the learning in our maths lessons.



Creativity: Art & Design / DT

As part of the safari topic we will be looking at sketching animals, focusing on the features and characteristics, detail, proportions and the drafting process.

PE

We will start the autumn term by focusing on mastering basic movements including running, throwing and catching in a range of activities and challenges.

Science

The focus for science this term will be animals including humans. The children will be learning about the basic needs of humans and animals, how to care for animals as well as focus on the concepts ecosystems and evolution.

RSE

We will focus on communicating ideas, opinions and feelings, as we learn about keeping healthy and looking after one another.

Computing

This term we will be focusing on basic computing skills: how to navigate around the desktop, saving a file, editing and formatting, as well as typing our own text linked to the English learning. We will also continue to focus on the importance of being safe online.

This term we will only be focusing on the curriculum areas listed above, in order to support the children with settling back into school life, adjust to being in Year 2 following an extended break in school learning. We will adapt to meet the needs of all children in the class. As the year progresses we will re-introduce more aspects of the curriculum.