



Creswell C of E Infant and Nursery School

Curriculum Letter

Term: Autumn

Year: 2

This Term our Learning Journey is:
Magical Lands



This term our learning will be based upon Magical Lands. We will explore different narratives through the theme of magic. After such a long time away from school and friends, we will focus on settling the children into their new class and getting them excited about their new topic for learning. We are very excited to join them on this journey.

English

As **Readers**, we will be developing our inference skills, explaining why events happen or how characters are feeling. We will develop these skills through guided reading sessions and whole-class reading of a book of the week. We will explore a range of books including non-fiction, story and poetry books.

As **writers**, we are going to be writing about characters in a story and writing our own chapter to a well-known story. We will be learning and writing about animals in the Antarctic. We will be planning before we begin our writing and then will proof read to check for errors on spelling, punctuation and grammar. We will continue to practise our handwriting.

Mathematics

As **Mathematicians**, we will continue to follow Power Maths; looking at number and calculations. We will also be solving problems with the different calculation types. We will begin to learn our 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables.

We will practise our skills through '10 in 10' daily.

Geography

As **Geographers**, we will create an interactive working wall, looking at 'Where in the World' different continents, oceans and geographical features are located. We will use compass directions and compare physical and human features of the world.

Science

As **Scientists**, we will be exploring a range of materials for different uses. We will identify simple scientific language and carry out investigations using scientific methods.

Art and Design

As **Artists**, we will use drawing, painting, clay and fabric to develop and share our ideas, experiences and imagination based on the works of different artists. We will look at the work of Salvador Dali.

Computing

As **Technologists**, we will learn to create and debug simple programs using coding apps on the ipads and laptops. We will learn about internet safety. We will also learn how to create, save and retrieve documents using programmes such as Microsoft word.

We will learn about staying safe on the Internet.

RE

We will take part in discussions about belonging to a community and what we can learn about creation.

PE

In PE, we will be learning fundamental movement skills. We will use a broad range of techniques to extend our agility, balance and coordination, both individually and working with peers.

In Year 2 our PE days will be **Monday and Thursday**. We run a **daily mile** to help to keep us fit so could you please ensure that your child has appropriate footwear. Could I also remind you that hair must be tied back and that earrings must be removed or covered with plasters from home for PE. On our PE days could you please send your child to school in suitable sportswear, e.g. joggers and trainers.

PSHCE

In PSHCE we will be focusing on settling in to new routines after such a long break away from school. We will learn about how to recognise and express our emotions, following the Jigsaw programme.

Routines

Doors open: 8:40am and close again at 8:50am. When your child arrives could you please follow the correct entry and exit points around school to ensure social distancing. We are unable to invite parents into the classroom at this time so could you please wait outside the classroom on the grass area. Activity money will be 50p per week and must be sent in a sealed envelope with your child's name on the front. You can pay for the half term, so this term will be £3.50

Lunch choices are made at the beginning of each half term. The day ends at 3:00pm. Please ensure that your child's class teacher is informed of anyone, other than you as parents / carers, will be collecting your child.

How to support learning at home:

Reading - By reading at home on a regular basis, in addition to daily reading at school, your child will develop confidence and fluency in reading. We would like to recognise their reading at home with our reward scheme. When they have read please sign or initial your child's reading record and take a photograph of the record to upload on Class Dojo on a Friday, so that we may complete the Reading Champs Challenge and award dojos.

Reading 5x at home earns 3 dojos; 4x at home earns 2 dojos and 3x at home earns 1 dojo.

Maths - Helping your child to practise their times tables and discussing day to day maths such as when shopping, cooking or telling the time will help them to become confident and fluent mathematicians and will help them to solve maths problems.