Year 2 Termly Curriculum Overview

Autumn Term 2026-2027

English

Text that we will be reading this term

- 'The Great Fire of London'

Reading focus

- Apply phonic knowledge and skills to decode words until it becomes automatic.
- Explain and discuss their understanding of books, poems and other material

Genres of writing that will be covered

- Fiction: Character description based on familiar story (alternate characters).
- Non-fiction: Instructions
- Non-fiction: Recounts

GPaS focus:

- Recognise nouns, adjectives and verbs
- Use past tense
- Use expanded noun phrases
- Use time conjunctions (then, later, next)
- Use a range of punctuation ? ! , .

History and Geography

Geography

- How big is our world? Name 7 continents and 5 oceans and locate them on the map. Also identify some of the human and physical features.

History

- Was the Great Fire of London good or bad for London? Know what happened and learn about the effects of the event.

Art and D&T

Art

- What effects and colours can I make? Using a range of tools and colours.

DT

- How can I make my pizza healthier? Cutting, slicing, grating and spreading.

Mathematics

Number and Place Value

- Count in steps of 2, 3, 5 and 10 from any number, forward and backward.
- Read and write number to at least 100 in numerals and in words
- Recognise and represent the place value of each digit in a two-digit number (tens, ones)
- Compare and order numbers from 0 up to 100, use < > and = signs
- Use place value and number facts to solve problems

Addition and Subtraction

- Recall and use + and – facts to 20 fluently, and derive and use related facts up to 100.
- Add & subtract two-digit numbers.
- Find the difference between two numbers and solve missing number problems.

Properties of Shape

- Recognise and name 2D and 3D shapes and identify their common features.
- Group and sort different shapes.

Science and Computing

Science

- What do animals incl. humans need to survive? Understand healthy diet and importance of an active life style.

Computing

- How can I use technology responsibly? How can I edit a digital image?

Physical Education

- Indoor: Gymnastics- linking & pathways
- Outdoor: Attack vs defence: Games for understanding

PSHE and RE

- What helps me to be happy?
- What should I do if I feel unsafe online?
- What do Christians believe about God?
  What is the place of the church in Christianity?

French

- Explore patterns, playground activities and dance through games
- Enjoy listening to French stories repeating words and predicting what comes next.

Music

- How is beat different from rhythm?
- What skills do I need to rehearse and perform in preparation for an assembly?

Homework

- **English/Maths:** Homework is set to consolidate skills taught in class. Sent out on a Thursday to be returned the following Tuesday.
- **Spellings:** New spellings to be learnt given out on a Thursday. Test to be on the following Tuesday.
- **Reading:** To be practised 3-4 times a week and reading records completed three times a week. Project X reading books support class phonics teaching. Books from the class library are the children's choice and are for reading for pleasure.

Please return spelling books and homework books on Tuesday.