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Year group: 2 Spring Term 2021

Welcome back to school. This term we have lots to do and lots to learn! We are keen to encourage parents and carers to help in their child's learning at home and as such we are providing you with this overview of what we shall be teaching at school. We also ask you to help us by making sure that all homework is completed. If you have any queries please feel free to have a chat with us.

Mathematics	English	Science
<p>Children will continue to develop their understanding of place value of 2 and 3 digit numbers. They will be learning about fractions of shapes and amounts. We will be learning about how to represent them as equivalent fractions. A key skill children will learn is developing their use of mental strategies focusing on time, money and measures. We will be looking at subtraction using both written and mental strategies. We will also be testing our 2, 5 and 10 times tables.</p>	<p>Children will be reading a range of stories, including 'We're all wonders' and 'The Bear and the Piano'. We will be exploring the stories and their use of language, and looking at the characters in the books. We will be writing our own stories based on these texts. Later in the term we will be writing non-fiction texts about 'British Monarchs'. Children will write their own fiction and non-fiction texts throughout the term.</p> <p>To help your child improve it is important that they read every day at home and learn their key spellings every week.</p>	<p>In the first half of the term, Year 2 will be learning about materials. We will be exploring different materials and use scientific vocabulary to describe them. We will then investigate the best material for a purpose and the children will record their findings.</p> <p>In the second half of the term children will be learning to work scientifically. They will continue their learning about materials and will design their own experiment.</p>
Art/DT/Geography/History/Music		
<p>In History, the first half of the term, children will be learning about Monarchs and creating a timeline of the different Kings and Queens. They will learn about significant monarchs and how they impacted our life today. In Geography, the children will be learning about Australia. We will compare this region to where we live, exploring the similarities and differences. In Music we will be exploring the instruments and learning about tempo. We will also be composing our own music! In DT, following on from our sandwich making, we will be looking at food packaging and designing and making our own cereal box! In Art, children will be developing their drawing skills and will be learning about aboriginal art as well as drawing historical portraits.</p>		



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Computing	Religious Education	PSHE
<p>In the first half term, children will be continuing working on online safety as well as beginning to use cameras to take photos and edit them. We will build a bank of photos and share them with each other.</p> <p>In the second half term, the children will learn how to research safely and effectively. They will gain further understanding about how search engines work and how we stay safe online.</p>	<p>In RE we will be discussing the topic 'Can stories change people?' We will be learning about what a parable is and the children will have a go at creating their own.</p> <p>In the second half of this term children will be learning about Christianity and the importance of Easter looking at the important dates and events during the Easter celebration period.</p>	<p>Our learning in PSHE will begin with the topic 'Relationships'. The children will consider how they make friends and what to do if they are unhappy with a relationship. We will explore the difference between a secret and a surprise, and consider how we decide whether a relationship is a positive one.</p> <p>In the second half term, we will consider how we stay healthy - both physically and mentally. We will continue to learn about healthy diets, but also about personal hygiene and how to help our own wellbeing.</p>
P.E	MFL	Homework
<p>During our P.E sessions We will be learning about gymnastics. We will be learning how to use apparatus safely. In gymnastics sessions the children will be performing gymnastics, focusing on making shapes and balancing their bodies in different ways and using the apparatus.</p> <p>We will also be starting work on our early ball skills - how to dribble, different ways to pass and how to defend the ball. This will help us to start playing some team games!</p>	<p>In Mandarin the children will be learning about 2D shapes and describing them in Mandarin! They will continue to learn instructions and follow directions.</p> <p>In the second half term, they will be learning to name parts of the body and will learn about the Terracotta Warriors.</p>	<p>Each day children are expected to do some homework. Spellings and writing should be recorded in your child's homework book. Books will be changed regularly by the children, with the support of an adult if needed. Please use the homework book to record any concerns or comments.</p> <p>The homework schedule is as follows: Monday- Spellings Tuesday- Reading Wednesday- Mathletics (online) Thursday- Maths/Times Tables Rockstars Friday- Writing</p>
	Educational Visits	
	<p>The children hope to visit the Tower of London to find out about the historic building and the Kings that lived there. They will also get a look at the Crown Jewels!</p>	



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