

Y2 Curriculum Newsletter.

Dear parents/carers, please find below a snapshot of the curriculum that your child will be covering over the coming weeks. As you will see, there is a lot to do and any support that you can give at home will be greatly appreciated.

English – This half term the children will be writing non-chronological reports on polar bears.

They will learn about the different features of a report, facts about polar bears and then write their own non – chronological report.

In addition, the children are doing daily phonics/reading sessions.

Please support your child by listening to them read regularly at home and by reading to them also.

We are asking for your child to read four times during a week. Please sign the reading diary so the adults know that they have read. Children will have a reading book that they will read a number of times through the week, each time they read they should become more confident, fluent and start to use expression. It is important that your child also understands what they are reading, you can help with this by asking your child questions about what they have read. Your child needs to bring these books in their book bag to school every day.

Your child will also choose a free choice reading for pleasure book. This is a book that they may be able to read or for you to read with them. This book needs to be brought into school on a Monday and a Thursday so they can choose a new book.

Please also support them with learning their spellings each week. These will be sent home on a Friday and the spelling challenge will be the following Friday.

Maths – This term we will be adding and subtracting; this will involve fact families, related facts, comparing number sentences and adding and subtracting two digit numbers.

We will then move onto money, recognising values, calculating totals and change needed.

There are some interactive games on Snappy Maths, which the children would enjoy.

Science – Our topic this term is Materials. Children will investigate materials and their properties. We will plan an investigation to find a suitable material, make predictions, carry out an investigation and discuss our results.

Below is a website that looks at materials and their properties

[Materials - Year 1/2 - P2/3 - Science Collection - Home Learning with BBC Bitesize - BBC Bitesize](#)

History – We will be learning about Guy Fawkes and the Gunpowder Plot. We will find out why the plot was made and the events that happened.

[Who was Guy Fawkes? - BBC Bitesize](#)

We will then move on to finding out about The Great Fire of London; why it happened, the events during the Fire and how London changed after the fire.

[History KS1: 1. Why did The Great Fire of London happen? - BBC Teach](#)

RE – This term we will be thinking about the Christian festival of Christmas.

PSHCE – Our theme this term is celebrating difference. We will think about why we are different from our friends and understand that it is OK to be different from other people.

Music – We are using the programme Changa; the unit this term is Ho Ho Ho. Children will learn how to sing, rap and add instruments to a song.

Computing – At first we will look at e safety then move onto creating spreadsheets.

PE – This term we are covering gymnastics,

. Please send your child to school in their PE kit on Mondays and Wednesdays. They should wear trainers on PE days and earrings must be removed.

Please make sure that your child arrives at school by 8:40 each day to ensure that they do not miss any learning time.

If you have any questions about your child's learning, please speak to their teacher.

Kind regards,

Mrs Shepherd

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