

Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter Autumn 1

Dear parents and carers, Welcome to **Year 2**. Please have a look over our curriculum for the coming half term...



Learning Together for Life

Articles of Half Term:

Article 30 - Children have the right to learn and speak the same language as their family.

Article 23 – Children have the right to special help and education if they have a disability.

Article 2 - All children have rights, no matter their differences.



Writing: Our term begins with a unit of work based on a book by Hollie Hughes and Sarah Massini, called 'The Girl and the Dinosaur'. We will be using this book to create some fantastic pieces of writing using a variety of different skills such as expanded noun phrases conjunctions.



Phonics: This half term the children will be starting their Read Write Inc. journey, practising their speed sounds and learning to segment and blend words.



Maths: We will start the term by building upon our knowledge of place value and the number system. We will then be learning how to partition numbers to 100 and write them in words. Children will also have opportunities to further practise their number facts in order to develop rapid recall. We will also continue with the Mastering Number programme of work to help us improve our knowledge surrounding number.



Science: Our topic this term is 'Animals including humans', where we will be learning about what living things need to survive and stay healthy. We start by looking at the basic things that are required for survival and progress into looking at how we as humans can eat healthily and take care of our bodies, through things such as exercise and hygiene.



History/Geography: In History, we are learning about Significant Woman within history. We have also been defining the meaning of what significant means. The three significant woman we are learning about are Mary Anning, Malala and Chloe Kelly.



Music: This half-term, Fern and Ivy will be learning about duration. We will be learning about long and short sounds, listening for these in the environment and use a variety of percussion instruments to make different length sounds. We will also make musical sounds to represent different types of weather.



PSHE: This half-term we are learning about Respecting ourselves and others. We will be understanding what pride is and identify what makes us proud of ourselves.



Computing: In this unit, we are learning to understand what an algorithm is and to create a computer program using an algorithm.



PE: We are continuing to work on our sending and receiving skills in outdoor PE, thinking about the different ways that we can pass the ball around in a game- based situation. In indoor PE we are focussing on fitness, including why it is important to lead a healthy active lifestyle.



RE: This half term we will be looking at 'Why do we give thanks?'



Art & DT: we will be focusing on art this half term and diving into our creativity using collage. We are taking inspiration from the artist Frida Kahlo to create our own self-portraits, but using the collaging technique to add an exciting twist!



Forest Schools: This half term Bracken class are exploring the animals and creatures that live in our forest.

If you have any questions at all please contact us or catch us at the end of the school day.

Please ensure that you ensure that your child is sent into school in their PE kit on days that we do PE, for us in year two this will be Tuesday and Thursday. If your child has their ears pierced, please make sure that these are taken out before coming in to school as for safety reasons they will not be able to take part if they have earrings in. Our homework is sent out on a Friday and collected in the following Friday, this is also when we will have a look at the children's reading records, so please ensure that you are reading with your child every day!