



Year 2 Curriculum News

Autumn 2023

English

Throughout the year, the English programmes of study will be taught through Read, Write, Inc (RWI), a structured programme for developing phonics and literacy skills. In RWI children will be developing reading, writing, grammar, punctuation and speaking and listening skills. They will be doing this according to their level in their RWI groupings. Please ensure you visit our workshops for more information. The Year 2 workshop is on Thursday 28th September, 9:15 – 10:45am.

Reading

Whole Class Reading takes place every day and covers a range of texts. The children will be given the opportunity to read their own book during Guided Reading sessions when they are not reading with an adult. Please support your child in bringing their own book into school, which they can keep in their drawer.

Please make sure your child brings their book bag to school every day. **Chestnut Class will be changing their library books on Thursday and Ash Class will do so on Friday.** Please ensure your children bring their book on their library day. We would like the children to be independent in changing their levelled home- reader books when they are ready for a new book. Please make sure you **read these book at home with your child every day** and encourage your child to change their home-reader as needed.

Computing

Computing will focus upon building curriculum knowledge and skills. Computing is delivered through the Purple Mash software. This term, children will learn about spreadsheets. They will use copying, cutting and pasting to help make spreadsheets. The start of each term will also include an e-safety awareness session which will teach children how to use technology safely.

PE Kit

Year 2 will have PE with the Sports Coaches every Monday. Please ensure your child arrives in school in their PE kit every Monday. The PE kit should contain a **white t-shirt, plain leggings or tracksuit bottom** and a pair of plimsolls or trainers. PE lessons will be outside as much as possible so please also include a sweatshirt.

RE

In **R.E.** we will be learning about: How we celebrate our journey through life, looking in particular at Christianity and Judaism.

Maths

This term we will be covering the following topics:

- Number and Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Shape

During Maths Lessons, the children will be using concrete objects and pictorial representations. They will also be applying their increasing knowledge of mental and written methods.

We will be setting tasks and activities to do at home on Mathletics weekly. Please ensure these are done as they will consolidate the learning for the week.

Science

Our **Science** Topic this term is: Healthy Animals.

The children will:

- learn that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults
- find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air)
- learn about the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene

History and Geography

In History, we will learn about;

- the lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements.

In Geography, we will;

- devise a simple map
- use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of the school and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment.

Art

In Art, we will:

- Find out how bodies and faces are portrayed in art
- Develop a wide range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space.

PSHE

Our **PSHE** topics are growth mindsets, resilience, honesty and democracy.