
Autumn 1 Newsletter 2023

Welcome to Year 2 and the Autumn Term!

We wanted to update you on a few things you may need to know this term.

Reading:

We have introduced a new reading programme called Routes to Reading which follows on from the Success for All phonics scheme. This programme runs on a 2-week cycle and we have already started our first book in class. They will be bringing this book home at the end of Week 3 (w/b 18th September). In the meantime, your child will be bringing home a familiar book in order to practise fluency.

Spelling:

We are very excited to be following a new online spelling scheme called Spelling with the Jungle Club, which also follows on from Success for All phonics.

Year 2:

In Year 2, the children are allowed to wear a watch. They need to be able to remove their watch for PE on Mondays and Wednesdays, so you may prefer your child to leave their watch at home on these days.

Contact Details:

If at any point, you would like to speak to any of us, please email us directly.

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DATES FOR DIARY

- PE days are Mondays and Wednesdays
- Great Fire of London Workshop – Wednesday 8th November
- Fire Safety Workshop – Thursday 23rd November



Geography

- Continents and Oceans
- Physical and human features
- Using maps
- Equator, North and South poles
- Using simple compass directions



This Half Term our Discovery learning topics are:

The Life-Cycles of Humans and Animals

and

What a Wonderful World!

Science

Life-Cycles of humans, butterflies and frogs.

- Notice that animals have offspring that grow into adults
- Comparing life-cycles

English

- Writing a story setting of a storm
- Writing a non-chronological report
- Writing poetry
- Daily, whole class reading lessons
- Daily, whole class spelling lessons
- Opportunities throughout the week to practise common exception words

PSHE

Me & my relationships – expressing emotions, respecting others and types of bullying

Maths

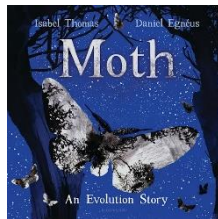
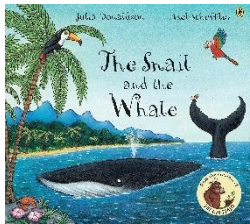
- Place value – numbers up to 100
- Partitioning
- Comparing and ordering numbers
- Locating numbers on a number line
- addition and subtraction

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CHRISTIANITY: What is God like for Christians?

- Build on idea of God as creator
- Images of God from the Bible: shepherd, parent, King
- Ideas in art, story and song



PE

- Ball skills - Control ball, pass & dribble
- Shapes, jumps & apparatus

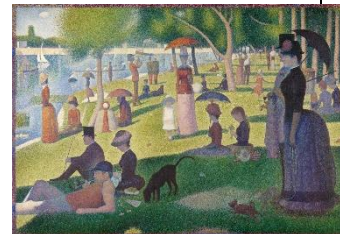
Computing

E- Safety – keeping personal information private & asking for adult help when unsure

Arts and Design

Drawing landscapes in the style of:

- Renoir
- Monet
- Da Vinci
- Van Gogh
- Seurat



Music

The British Isles – learning different songs from around the British Isles and creating soundscapes using voice and body percussion.