Term 5 Year 2 Parent Overview



We hope you all had a wonderful Easter break. We're excited about all the new learning opportunities this term. We will continue to have outdoor PE on a Monday and indoor PE on a Thursday please make sure your child comes into school wearing their PE kit on those days. Reading books will be handed out on a Monday. Please ensure your child's reading book is in school every day and you record when your child has read at home. Remember all those reads at home count towards reading stars. Homework will continue to be sent home on a Tuesday and will need to be returned on a Monday. If you have any gueries, please don't hesitate to contact us we are around before and after school to talk to. Mrs Williams (Class Teacher Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday Morning), Mrs Price (Class Teacher Wednesday Afternoon, Thursday & Friday), Mrs Parfitt (Teaching Assistant every morning) and Mrs Watson (Teaching Assistant every afternoon).

English



In English we will focus on two different text types | Maths this term. A Journey story - Billy the Brave Knight. The children will revise using conjunctions and start sentences in different ways during this English unit. We will then go onto Instruction Writing towards the end of the term and continue this into term 6. We will also continue to learn a weekly spelling pattern and practise our handwriting each week.



In maths this term the children will be exploring fractions, focusing on understanding the concept of parts of a whole. They'll learn to recognize and represent simple fractions like 1/2, 1/3, 1/4, and 1/5 using visual aids such as fraction circles and bar models. The children will compare fractions, by using more, less and equal to symbols. They will also explore fractions in real-life contexts, like dividing objects into equal parts.

Science



This term in science the children will explore the life cycles of animals. The children will learn how animals grow and change over time, from birth to adulthood. They'll compare the life cycles of different animals, such as mammals, birds, and insects. The children will also have some special animal visitors at the start of term 6 to look after and care for over a few weeks!

Key Vocabulary: adult, young offspring, live young, offspring, reproduce, lifecycle, develop

History



This term, Year 2 children will be learning about Edward Jenner, the pioneer of the smallpox vaccine. They will explore how his discovery changed the course of medical history and why he is remembered as a significant individual. The children will learn about life in the past, compare healthcare then and now, and understand the impact of vaccines on people's lives. Through stories, role play, and discussion, pupils will develop their historical enquiry skills. Key Vocabulary: vaccination, vaccine, Edward Jenner, virus, infection

RE



In RE the children will learn about Jesus' messages about love, forgiveness, and hope for everyone. The children will discover that Jesus healed people, cared for the poor, and taught about God's Kingdom. They will explore key Bible stories from the New Testament that focus on kindness and compassion. Through discussions and activities, the children will begin to understand that Jesus' teachings encouraged living in a way that spreads love and peace to others.

Art



In Art this term the children will be learning how to draw landscapes. They will learn what a landscape is and which famous artists drew landscapes. The children will use a variety of tools to draw landscapes, pastels, felt tips and pencils. They will learn about observational drawings and then go on to create their final landscape piece of art.

Key Vocabulary: rubbings, shade, observing, tools

Wellbeing



This term the children will be focussing on the unit 'Being My Best'. In this unit, the children will explore ways to take care of themselves, build resilience, and develop a positive attitude toward learning and personal growth. The lessons aim to help children understand the importance of looking after their bodies and minds, making healthy choices, and striving to be the best version of themselves.

Music



This term, the children will begin a 10-week music tuition. Each Thursday morning, they will be learning to play the recorder with Mr Kempner. Over the course of the lessons, they will develop skills in holding the instrument correctly, producing a clear sound, and playing individual notes. As their confidence grows, they will learn to perform simple tunes. The term will conclude with a class performance for parents, taking place on Thursday 10th July at 9:15am.

PE



In PE this term the children will take part in Target Games on Monday afternoon and Gymnastics on a Thursday afternoon. In Target Games, they will develop skills such as aiming, throwing, rolling, and striking with accuracy, while learning the importance of tactics, teamwork, and fair play. In Gymnastics, children will explore movement through balancing, rolling, jumping, and creating simple sequences using apparatus. They will build strength, flexibility, and coordination, while also learning to evaluate and improve their performance.