

Term 1 Year 2 Parent Overview

We hope that you all had a wonderful summer holiday and rest from school and your child is ready for the new term in Year 2. We are really looking forward to working with your child this year. We will 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. Phonics reading books will be handed out on a Monday. Please ensure your child's phonic 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. We will introduce quick maths homework and spelling homework in week 2 of this term. The homework will be sent home on a Tuesday and will need to be returned on a Monday. We will award star of the day each day in class. The star of the day child will bring home Barnaby bear and a reading book to have at home overnight. Please remember to bring back Barnaby the next morning so that it can be given to the next child the following day. If you have any queries, 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 Morgan (Teaching Assistant every morning), Miss Clark (All day every day) and Mrs Millward (Teaching Assistant Monday to Thursday afternoon).

English



We will start our English lessons by writing a preposition poem about a picture of different habitats. We will then learn the story of 'How the Tortoise got its shell' and write our own warning tale based on the story. Once we have written our stories we will then write a biography about Florence Nightingale. We will also have bespoke spelling and handwriting lessons throughout the week.

Maths



Our first maths unit of work is place value. We will be learning about the value of the digits in numbers up to 100, ordering numbers, partitioning numbers and adding numbers together using the bonds to 10. We will then move on to addition and subtraction first within 10 building on from the children's knowledge from Year 1 then moving to within 100.

Science



The first science topic this year is living things and their habitats. We will investigate different habitats, how animals adapt to them, make our own wormery and learn the key vocabulary for this topic.

Key Vocabulary: *habitat, microhabitat, minibeast, Arctic, desert, ocean and rainforest.*

History



In this unit we will learn about famous women who have changed the way that we live or people's lives. We will learn about Florence Nightingale, Rosa Parks, Emily Davison and Mary Earps. If your child has any books or information about famous women who have changed the way that we live or people's lives we'd love to share it with the class. Make sure anything you bring in is named. **Key Vocabulary:** *century, race, activism, gender and feminism.*

RE

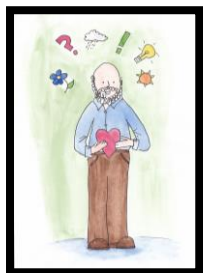
This term in RE, Year 2 will explore what it means to be part of a Muslim community. We will learn about the role of the mosque, how it supports Muslim belief, practice and identity, and how Muslims take part in community life. Children will also reflect on the communities they belong to, thinking about similarities and differences in the roles these play in their own lives.

Key Vocabulary: *ummah masjid/ mosque, minarets, prayer halls, qiblah wall, mihrab, minbar, madrasah*

Music

This term our topic is called 'Musical Me'. We will be learning to sing and play an instrument at the same time. We will then choose and play appropriate dynamics and timbres for a piece of music and use musical notation to play melodies. We will also use letter notation to write our own melody.

Key Vocabulary: *beat, timbre, dynamics and composition.*

Wellbeing

We will start the term by talking about the transition into the new classroom. We will talk about our ideal classroom and what that looks like for adults and children. For the rest of the term we will focus on what it means to be a good friend. We will look at the themes of what it means to be a good friend, sharing, being kind, helping each other, noticing if someone is feeling left out etc...

Key Vocabulary: *friend, sharing, kind, and helping.*

Art

We will be learning about the artist Faith Ringgold this term. We will learn about who Faith Ringgold is and what art she produces. We will investigate different ways to stick materials to create a collage like Faith Ringgold to produce our own pieces of art work.



Key Vocabulary: *adhesive, fold, tear, crumple and overlap.*

PE

In outdoor PE our unit of work is throwing and catching. First, we will learn how to roll and bounce a ball. Then we will move onto making a bounce pass and learn how to catch a high ball. We will learn these techniques through playing lots of games.

In indoor PE we will be focussing on a gym unit of work called 'Under the Sea'. During the unit we will be creating different balances on our own and with a partner, rolling, jumping and building sequences on our own and with a partner to create a final routine.