

# YEAR TWO – Spring 1

### **Topic/theme**

MAGNIFICENT MONARCHS: This project teaches children about the English and British monarchy from AD 871 to the present day. Using timelines, information about royal palaces, portraits and other historical sources, they build up an understanding of the monarchs and then research six of the most significant sovereigns.

#### Reading

In Year 2 we will be building our knowledge of sounds and reading fluency through daily Read Write Inc Phonics lessons. We also build children's enjoyment of reading through daily stories and our Favourite Five texts.

#### Writing

NARRATIVE: We will be writing a story linked to our own experiences. RECOUNT: We will be writing a series of instructions for planting bulbs.

#### Maths

Division of 2, 5 and 10: Grouping; sharing; dividing by 2; dividing by 5; dividing by 10; solving word problems; odd and even numbers.

Length: Measuring Length In Metres, Measuring Length in Centimetres, Comparing Length in Metres, Comparing Length in Centimetres, Comparing the Length of Lines, Solving Word Problems.

# PSHE

Dreams and Goals: In this topic, children in year 2 will learn to choose a realistic goal and how to achieve it, to carry on trying (persevering) even when things are difficult, to recognise who we work well with, to work in a group, how to work well in a group, and how to share success with other people.





#### Science

How can I keep myself Healthy?: This half term, pupils will begin to learn about different ways to keep themselves healthy. They will consider the basic needs of humans, the need for warmth and shelter and the needs for health and wellbeing. Children are introduced to the human life cycle and consider how they have changed since birth. Growth will then be linked to a healthy lifestyle and how the physical changes, self-care, appearance, movement and diet change from dependency to independence.

# **Art and Design**

Portraits and Poses: This project teaches children about portraiture. They analyse the portraits of Tudor monarchs and compare Tudor portraits and selfies today. They use photo editing software to create royal portraits.

# **Music**

I Wanna Play in a Band: Throughout this half term, learning is focused around one song: I Wanna Play in a Band. This is a Rock song written especially for children. In this song you learn about singing and playing together in an ensemble. As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song, children will listen and appraise classic Rock songs.

# **Religious Education**

JUDAISM: The focus for RE this half term is Judaism and Hannukah. Children will be learning the story of Hanukkah, learning all about the Hanukkiah Kosher, the dreidel, Hannukah traditions, Miracles, Right and wrong, Cleaning, repairing and rebuilding and finally they will be comparing Hanukkah to Christmas

#### PE

This half term, Year 2 will be doing dance in the PE lessons. Children will perform dances using a range of movement patterns, enjoy communicating and collaborating with each other, develop an understanding of how to improve and learn to evaluate and recognise their own success, having compared their performance with previous ones.





#### Computing

CODING: In computing this half term, we will be learning about coding. We will be discovering what an algorithm is, to design our own algorithms and to then code them. Children will compare different object types, use the repeat command, use the timer command, as well as learning what debugging is and attempt to debug programs.

