

YEAR TWO - Autumn 2

Topic/theme

MOVERS AND SHAKERS: This project teaches children about historically significant people who have had a major impact on the world. They will learn to use timelines, stories and historical sources to find out about the people featured and use historical models to explore their significance.

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 retell of a story using the rule of three. RECOUNT: We will be writing a recount of Neil Armstrong's journey to the Moon.

Maths

Multiplication of 2, 5 and 10: Multiplication of equal groups; 2 times table; 5 times table; 10 times table; solving word problems.

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

PSHE

CELEBRATING DIFFERENCES: Children will learn about recognise gender stereotypes, that boys and girls can have differences and similarities and that is OK. They explore how children can be bullied because they are different, that this shouldn't happen and how they can support a classmate who is being bullied. The children share feelings associated with bullying and how and where to get help. They explore similarities and differences and that it is OK for friends to have differences without it affecting their friendship.





Science

FAMOUS SCIENTISTS: This half term, pupils will identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, as well as finding out how some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting or stretch them. This unit studies two influential scientists, Charles Macintosh and John Dunlop. The topic will introduce children to the way in which real scientists work and how investigations lead to new discoveries.

Art and Design

STILL LIFE: This project teaches children about the work of significant still life artists and still life techniques. They explore a wide variety of still lifes and learn about the use of colour and composition. They create still life arrangements and artwork.

Music

HO HO: Throughout this half term, learning is focused around one song: Ho Ho Ho - a Christmas song. Children will Listen & Appraise other styles of music and continue to embed the interrelated dimensions of music through games, singing and playing.

Religious Education

CHRISTIANITY: The focus for RE this half term is Christianity and the celebration of Christmas. Children will learn that Christmas is a festival that marks the birth of Jesus Christ, over 2000 years ago and that Christians call the period before Christmas, Advent. We will explore that Christians might attend special church services, remember the nativity story, buy gifts for loved ones, eat special food and spend time with family.

PE

This half term, Year 2 will have P.E. lessons led by a coach to take them through the different aspects of playing Cricket. Children will focus on both fielding and catching.

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.