

Year 2 Summer Term 1

English

Our focused literacy genre this term is 'Instructions'. The children will build their vocabulary and grammar through our daily sentence stacking lessons. We will analyse model texts to identify the structure of a set of instructions which will support the children in writing their own set of instructions. We will continue to have daily handwriting practise and phonics lessons. The children will have the opportunity to read in our class library and with an adult everyday.

Maths

In Maths, we will begin by adding two two-digit numbers using a column grid method. We will then explore fractions by recognising, finding, naming and writing fractions of shapes and objects. Our final Maths unit is measurement. The children will begin by learning about money. Here, the children will recognise and use symbols for pounds and pence, find different combinations of coins to make given amounts and solve simple problems involving money. Finally, we will learn to tell the time to five minute intervals.

Science

Our topic this half term in Science is 'Living things and their habitats'. The children will start the unit of work by looking at whether things are living, dead or have never been alive. They will then look at microhabitats and larger habitats identifying some animals that may live there. Children will then conduct an investigation to see which type of conditions woodlice prefer in their habitat. After that they will look at how living things are adapted to their environment. Finally, they will look at food chains within habitats.

RE

In our Religious Education sessions, we will begin by learning about Pentecost. Here the children will talk about their own experiences of messages and describe some of the ways the Holy Spirit changed the disciples and Christians. During this unit the children will also retell a range of stories such as Jesus' resurrection, Jesus' promise to send the Holy Spirit and Jesus' Ascension Our second topic in RE is 'Reconciliation'. In this unit the children will explore rules by talking about their own experiences and feelings towards rules. We will describe how Christians practise Jesus' commandment of love, peace and reconciliation and describe the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



History

In history we will be learning about activists, focusing on the life of Rosa Parks. We will learn about the life of Rosa Parks, Greta Thunberg, Nelson Mandela Guy Fawkes and Emimeline Parkhurst. The children will develop an understanding of why people did things and why events happened. The children will develop their empathy by delving into the life of Rosa Parks and the impact of the Montgomery bus boycott. We will also learn about Greta Thunberg and compare her and Rosa Parks' life and their impact on society.

Computing

Our computing unit this half term is 'Beginning to Present'. The children will use technology to create and manipulate digital content. The children will recognise common uses of information technology and will continue to learn how to be safe whilst using the internet.

Design Technology

In our DT lessons we will be designing and making a free standing structure. The children will investigate the properties of different materials and the purpose of making structures out of specific materials. This will support the children in designing and creating their own free-standing structures for their own characters/animals.

Music

In our Music, this term we will be continuing to develop our sing skills.

PSHE

In our weekly PSHE lessons, we will explore the theme 'Created to Live in Community'. The children will explore the individual's relationship with the wider world. Here we explore how human beings are relational by nature and are called to love others in the wider community through service, through dialogue and through working for the Common Good.

PE

Our focus in PE this half term is cricket. The children will develop their batting, bowling and fielding skills. The children will apply their new skills by playing a game of cricket. We will continue to work closely with NUFC foundation, who will deliver weekly athletics sessions.