

Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter - Autumn 2 2023
Citizenship around the world!

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope that you managed to enjoy the half term break! Our topic for Autumn 2 is "Citizenship around the world." Alongside our English, Mathematics and Science, this topic will incorporate many of the subject areas through a variety of creative tasks and activities.

As readers and writers...

English lessons will be taught through the "Write Stuff" approach and will see children learning key grammar skills as part of their journey to becoming skilled writers. Lessons will be taught through quality texts and the children will explore these through a variety of ways. This half term, children will read 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' as well as 'Meerkat Mail'.

Reading sessions will take place daily and will include both phonics and comprehension. The children will also enjoy a rich 'read aloud' selection of books throughout the year to ensure they are continually exposed to high quality texts.

As scientists, we will be investigating...

How we can recycle and reuse! The topic will see us learning about climate change, the impact of global warming and understanding how recycling can help to reduce the impact. We will also look at renewable energy and how we can save water!



Attendance

Chaffinch: 95.4% Goldfinch: 96.1%

Target: 97.5%

As mathematicians we will be learning to...

Number: Addition and Subtraction Continued

- Use number bonds to 10 and 20 in addition
- Use number bonds to 10 and 20 in subtraction
- Add and subtract ones from a 2-digit number
- Add and subtract multiples of ten
- Add and subtract tens from a 2-digit number
- Add two 2-digit numbers
- Subtract two 2-digit numbers
- Add three 1-digit numbers
- Use number facts to solve equations involving larger numbers (e.g. $4+3=7$ so $40+30=70$)

Measurement: Money

- Recognise coins and notes
- Count money in pence, pounds and notes
- Make and compare amounts of money
- Find the total, the difference, and to calculate change

Number: Multiplication and Division

- Review our knowledge of multiplication to make equal groups.
- Use our knowledge of multiplication to add equal groups.
- Solve problems involving multiplication and division using a range of methods including problems and contexts
- Create, read and interpret arrays

As good citizens...

In PSHE this half term we will be looking at the topic of 'British Values'. We will be exploring what the 5 British values are and how they are used to promote respect.

As sports people...

We will be working on object control, stability and locomotion.

As geographers...

We will continue to explore India as our global Oasis link, focussing on human and physical features in India and the UK.

As historians...

We will be learning about Queen Victoria and the invention of the British railway and compare this to the railway in India.

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As linguists...

We will continue our learning on fruits and days of the week as well as moving on to me, my friends and family.

As theologians...

In RE we will look in depth at Judaism. For this half term we will be learning more about Jewish leaders and important figures as well as the celebration, Hannukah.

As musicians...

We will continue with our Musical Bumps sessions, beginning to read musical notation.

As aspiring artists...

We will be looking at seascapes and water colour techniques with a focus on the artist, JMW Turner.

As budding techies...

We will be working on our coding skills to program an object online.

Homework

Children will have one written and one oral homework set on Friday each week, which will be due in the following Wednesday.

Reading - All children will take home a banded reading book that is appropriate for their level. These can be changed as often as needed provided they have been read and understood. Please continue logging these on BoomHub.

Spelling - All children will be sent home spellings each week (based on spelling rules or high frequency words) and they will be tested on a weekly basis after they have been sent home to learn. There will be assignments with these spellings set on Spelling Shed too.

Times tables - Children will also be encouraged to focus on their times tables throughout the year (in Year 2, we focus on our 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables).

Year 2 team

Chaffinch - Miss Williams (Miss Champion -PPA)

Goldfinch - Miss Sales & Miss Bailey (Miss White- PPA)

Year 2 TAs - Miss Sarah , Mrs Brooks (Butterfly)

Notices and reminders

- PE is on **Tuesdays** and **Wednesdays** for **Goldfinch** and **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** for **Chaffinch**. Please ensure that your child has the correct kit in school on those days.
- Please continue to read for pleasure every day with your child and record it in their reading records. We will be checking them daily.