

Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter

Summer 2 - 2024

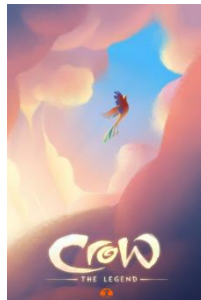
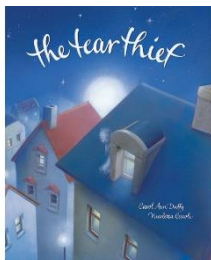
Showasis!

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope that you enjoyed the half term break! Our topic for Summer 2 is 'Showasis'. 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 in a variety of ways. For this half term, children will be reading and exploring 'The Tear Thief' by Carol Ann Duffy as well as studying the award-winning short film 'Crow: The Legend'.

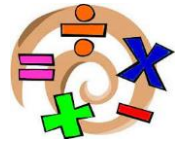


Reading sessions will take place daily and will include both phonics and comprehension. The children will also enjoy a rich 'read aloud' selection of books throughout the year to ensure they are continually exposed to quality texts.

As mathematicians we will be learning to...

Statistics

- Gather and record data using tally marks
- Read and create pictograms and block diagrams



Geometry: Position and Direction

- Describe position
- Describe movement
- Describe turns

Measurement: Time

- Telling the time to quarter past and quarter to
- Telling the time to the nearest 5 minutes
- Writing time
- Hours and days
- Durations of time

Measurement: Mass, Capacity and Temperature

- Measure and compare mass
- Measure mass in grams and kilograms
- Measure capacity and compare volume
- Millilitres and litres
- Temperature

As scientists, we will be investigating...

Living things and their habitats. We will explore a range of different topics within the subject of living things, including:

- Distinguishing between living, non-living and never alive.
- Know what habitats are.
- Understand a rainforest habitat.
- Learn about microhabitats and the creatures that live in them.
- Understand how food chains work and transfer energy.



Attendance

Chaffinch - 94.9%

Goldfinch - 96.5%

Target - 97.5%

As good citizens...

In PSHE this half term we will continue to focus on RSE. We will also look at developing confidence in public speaking.

As historians...

We will be learning about King Henry VIII and different aspects of Tudor life.

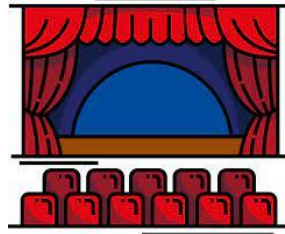
As theologians...

RE in Y2 will look in depth at Judaism. For this half term we will be focusing on celebrations, answering the question: How do we celebrate?

As athletes...

We will be developing our dance skills by having a go at Tudor dance! We will also be looking at object control and strike and field games.

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As musicians...

We will continue with our Musical Bumps sessions, developing our knowledge to read musical notation, rhythm, pitch and beat.

As geographers...

In Geography, we will investigate a question about our school grounds or local area and complete some fieldwork!

As linguists...

We will be learning about clothing and colours in Mandarin.

As aspiring artists...

We will be looking at textiles including sewing and plaiting. We will also focus on food in DT and its importance in our community and for staying healthy.

In Computing...

We will be continuing our learning about algorithms and completing tasks to develop these skills on code.org.

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.

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 is sent into school with the correct kit 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.