



Year 2

Our first topic this term will be Nurses. We will learn about Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole. We will learn how they became Nurses, their impact and the developments that they have made to modern medical practice and compare their lives.

Then we will move on to a Geography unit called Let's go on Safari! We will be learning all about Kenya's climate, animals, landscapes and the people and culture. As well as this we will be using key geography skills to use atlases and read maps.

We will be developing drawing skills in Art. Using storybook illustration as a stimulus, we will develop mark-making to explore a wider range of tools and experiment with creating texture to add detail to drawings. In D&T we will be completing a sewing unit where we will be designing and creating our own pouches.

In science, we will learn all about materials. In Year 2 we focus our learning on how materials can be changed and their suitability for a range of purposes. We will also be learning about the various properties that materials have and their different uses.

In English and Maths we will be covering the National Curriculum objectives.

English:

In English, we will be writing through a range of genres, including traditional tales, instructions, reports and poetry.

Maths:

In Maths, we will cover a range of topics including: place value, calculations, shapes, data and measures. We will apply this to real life situations where possible.

Homework

Homework is set on Monday, this will include spellings and times tables to be practised for the following Friday's test, and reading.

As well as this, weekly homework will include an optional task linked to our learning.

I would also be grateful if you could listen to your child read daily, even if it is for 10 minutes, and note this in their reading log; it really does make a huge difference to fluency and comprehension.

Other

PE: We will be practising and developing a range of, throwing, catching and passing skills in PE and developing teamwork skills. We will also be developing movement skills in gymnastics and yoga.

Computing: We will be learning about programming robots and about representing data using pictograms.

Music: We will be learning about orchestral instruments and identifying them in pieces of music. Then we will learn to sing the song 'Once a Man Fell in a Well' and to play it using tuned percussion. We will use letter notation to write a melody.

RE: We will be learning about Buddhism and Judaism.

PSHE: This will cover a range of topics in many ways, including assemblies, discussions and PSHE lessons.

Outdoor learning: We will be taking our learning outside wherever possible.

Weekly timetable

Monday:

- Homework given

Tuesday:

- PE – wear kit to school.

Thursday:

- Mrs Maddison will be teaching the class
- Homework books in (every Thursday please!)
- PE – wear kit to school.
- Spelling test
- Times tables test
- Arithmetic challenge

Friday:

- Reading books will be checked

Reading books need to be in school daily.