

Reading, spelling and phonics information

At the start of this term your child will be assessed to see which levels they are at for their reading and phonic knowledge. This will help us to ensure that they work within the appropriate Read Write Inc group for their ability. Once we have this information then Read Write Inc will begin and these lessons will be on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning.

We will also have Reading Skills sessions throughout the week which will help to develop your child's comprehension and understanding of the texts that they read.

A spelling assessment will be completed. Once assessed spellings will be sent home for your child to practice and they will have a spelling test every Monday morning during their Read Write Inc session.

Homework Information

Once we get back into the school routine, homework will be sent home every Friday. It will include a piece of maths which will have been covered by your child in class that week. It will be due in the Thursday of the following week. Please support your child and help them to complete the task to the best of their ability.

Spellings will be sent out on a Monday and tested the following week.

PE

Year 2 will have PE on a Wednesday and Thursday. Please ensure the children's kits are in school and any earrings have been removed prior to these sessions.
For PE an indoor kit will be needed
- T-shirt, shorts and plimsolls.

Class Teacher
Mrs Garner

YEAR 2 NEWSLETTER

The Big Dig



Our Curriculum - Autumn Term 1

The Big Dig

Dear Children, Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have had a wonderful summer holiday and I am excited to welcome you and your children to Year 2.

I want to start by saying thank you for helping your children with their homework over the summer. The time and the effort that you and your children have clearly spent is lovely to see. Watch out for a Big Dig display in the hall soon!

As mentioned above this term we have a new topic which is called The Big Dig. This topic is a great topic to kick the year off with as it means we can learn about dinosaurs in lots of detail and have fun. We will be outside digging so please can your child bring in some wellies or old shoes to use. We could get muddy!

You can find more information about our curriculum within this newsletter. You can also see what the children do whilst in school by looking at our class page on our school website.

I am looking forward to working with you and your children over the next year. I hope to build many happy memories.

Mrs Garner

In English we will shortly be starting our Read Write Inc lessons, as mentioned previously, these lessons will take place three times a week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. These lessons provide a comprehensive phonics programme tailored to your child's level.

We will also complete Reading Skills lessons which will take place once a day, these lessons work on a rotation through the week so your child will be able to research, read independently, read with an adult and answer comprehension questions.

Our English curriculum will also contain writing lessons, during these lessons we will be finding the key features of a letter and using them to plan our reply to the famous paleontologist Mary Anning, which will also help us bring the history aspect of our curriculum alive. We will also be working on making our sentences more complex by adding adjectives and clauses.

In maths we will be working on counting, ordering, reading and writing numbers up to 100. We will spend a few weeks ensuring the children have a deep understanding of how to build numbers within 100 using groups of tens and ones. This is also known as partitioning. Once the children have developed this deeper knowledge we will move onto addition and subtraction.

In Science we will be sorting animals between carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. The children will be able to give examples and write descriptions of each category. This will then lead us onto sorting between things that are alive, things that are dead and things that have never been alive. The children always find this interesting and will be given a few challenges along the way.

In art we will be taking inspiration from Andy Goldworthy and using his style to make our own art.

RE this term will focus on Islam with a focus on The Five Pillars of Islam.