

Year 2

Spring 1

January –February 2022



English

We will be writing our own descriptive chapters based upon our class novel 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of The Dark' by Jill Tomlinson.

We will be writing some poetry using alliteration also based on our novel.

We will use our History topic to help us learn how to write a newspaper article.

Spellings and Times Tables

Spelling lists can be found on our year group page on the website and on Google Classrooms. We will start testing the children on their 5 times tables this half term.

Maths Multiplication & Division

- Calculate mathematical statements for multiplication and division within the multiplication tables and write them using the multiplication, division and equals signs
- Show that multiplication of two numbers can be done in any order and division of one number by another cannot
- Solve problems involving multiplication and division, using materials, arrays, repeated addition, mental methods, and multiplication and division facts, including problems in contexts.

Religious Education

Books - Children will talk about their experience of books, we will look at some of the special books used in church and why the four Gospels are important to Christians.

Thanksgiving - The children will think about the different ways we say thank-you. We will look at how the parish family gathers to say thank-you to God through the celebration of the Eucharist.

Judaism - The children will learn about Shabbat and why this meal is special to Jewish people.

History

We will be studying the Great Explorer Neil Armstrong. We will discuss the criteria for what makes a person significant, the race to space and focus on the first moon landing.

DT

Children will explore how levers and sliders work, by making examples of each from templates and learn about the direction of movements and the mechanisms required to make these work.

P.E.

Outdoor Adventurous Activities with Mr Hathaway. We will use searching skills to find given items using clues and pictures, work in pairs to navigate space and explore unusual equipment to develop coordination, problem solving and motor skills.

With class teachers we are continuing with gymnastics. We will develop core strength to link gymnastic movements such as a half twist to help us perform a rhythmic sequence.

Science - Materials

(continued from Autumn Term 2)

We will identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials. We will investigate how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.



Computing

We will be creating and debugging simple programs. We will also use logical reasoning to predict the behaviour of simple programs.

P.S.H.E. / R.S.H.E.

Dreams & Goals - We will talk about how to set realistic goals, how to persevere when things are difficult and how to work as part of a team.

Journey In Love - Year 2 will think about how we stay safe in our community.

No Outsiders - We will be reading a story to help us understand what can make someone feel proud.

Children's Mental Health Week - 7th-13th February

Safer Internet Day - 8th February

Reading

Just a reminder that books will be changed once a week and should be brought into school on Fridays. They will be changed and returned on Mondays.

Music

Listening: Hands, Feet, Heart

We will listen to the pulse as we hear a variety of South African songs. We will be looking for instruments/voices we can hear: keyboard, bass, drums, electric guitars, saxophone, trumpet, vocals.

