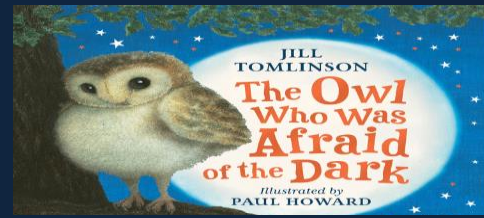


Year 2

Spring 1

January -February 2026



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 Geography 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. We will start testing the children on their 5 times tables this half term.



Children will learn to measure everyday things using standard units. We explore length by comparing and measuring objects in centimetres and metres, mass by weighing items in grams and kilograms, and temperature by reading thermometers to understand hotter and colder. Through practical activities, we build confidence choosing the right tools and units to describe the world around them.

Religious Education - Branch 3 From Galilee to Jerusalem

The children will hear how the Magi visited Jesus. We will learn about John the Baptist and Jesus being baptised. We will find out what happened when Jesus went into the wilderness and how Jesus called his 12 disciples. We will talk about some of the parables that Jesus told and the messages he gave. Our topic will be enhanced through drama, art, craft and singing.

Art - Drawing 'Tell a story.'

We will learn how to use an interesting range of marks that show an understanding of how to draw different textures.

Make sketches, which may be of basic stick-like figures or may imply more shapes.

Develop sketches into a character.

Demonstrate an understanding of how drawing facial features in different ways conveys expressions.

Geography Planet Earth

What are the seven continents that make up planet Earth?

What are the five oceans that make up planet Earth?

What is the continent of Europe like?

What is the continent of North America like?

What is the continent of South America like?

What is the continent of Oceania like?

P.E.

Fundamental Movements - In this unit we look at a variety of fundamental movement skills looking at how we use the hands and feet to send and receive and expanding their range of skills and knowledge

Outdoor Adventurous Activities - 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 and problem solving.

Science - Living things and their habitats

We will be learning about the different habitats animals have including microhabitats. We will compare living, dead and things that have never lived. We will discover the things that living things share and their life processes. The children will think about how a food chain shows how animals in a habitat are linked by what they eat.



Computing

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

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 - Instruments

Listening with concentration to short pieces of music or excerpts from longer pieces of music.

Engaging with and responding to longer pieces of music.

Beginning to explain why the music has a certain effect on them, which could be related to the music or a personal experience.

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

Safety - Our lessons are:

- Secrets & Surprises
- NSPCC Pants Lesson - Private Parts
- Respecting Personal Boundaries
- Road Safety
- Crossing the Road Safely
- Staying Safe With Medicine

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 - 9th -15th Feb

Safer Internet Day 10th Feb

