

Writing and grammar

In our writing lessons, we will be learning to write different texts types including narratives, historical recounts, character & setting descriptions and information texts. To help us do this, we will be making cross curricular links to our science and history topics about habitats and Rosa Parks.

Children will be taught how to use a range of sentence forms in each writing piece including statements, commands, exclamation and question. They will also learn how to use several grammar features in their writing including apostrophe for possession/omission, subordinating/coordinating conjunctions, commas in a list and using the correct tense.

Reading

Daily reading takes place through novel study and extract study. Children use the five strategies for reading: background knowledge, vocabulary, summarise and predict, visualise and comprehension questioning.

Children are exposed to a variety of good quality fiction, non-fiction and poetry. Year 2 novel study consists of analysing the core texts: The Dragonsitter, The Worst Witch and The Twits. Year 2 extract work exposes children to good quality non-fiction and poetry by analysing different texts each week.

Maths

During Year 2, we will use our maths lessons to develop our arithmetic and reasoning skills. In order to do this, we will study lots of different areas of maths, including:

- Place value with numbers within 100, extending to numbers within 1000 in summer term
- Addition and subtraction of 2-digit numbers, including word problems
- Multiplication and division – 2s, 3s, 5s, 10s, extending to 4s in the summer term
- Data handling – graphs (tally chart, block graphs, pictogram)
- Measurement of length, time, money, capacity & volume
- Fractions – $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{2}{3}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, one whole (shapes and amounts)
- Properties of 2D and 3D shapes

Science

As scientists we will be learning all about:

- The Human Body
- Living Things & Their Environments
- Electricity
- Plants
- Materials and Matter
- Astronomy

Art

As artists we will be learning all about:

- Colour and shape
- Colour, shape and texture
- Portraits and self portraits
- Landscape Symmetry
- History painting
- Murals and tapestry

Home Learning

It is expected that children will read at home **at least 3** times a week and that you as parents sign their reading diary. This will be checked in school weekly. In addition to support your child's learning, there will be set homework tasks and weekly spellings given every Friday so that together, we can give your child the best chance as they move through the year. Children also have access to Sumdog which is an online maths game to develop mathematical skills. Children need to access this once a week.

DT

Our DT lessons will involve planning, designing and making projects based on:

- Textiles (sewing a Union Jack flag)
- Mechanisms (wheels and axles)
- Food (making a variety of salads)

Year 2

PE

During our PE lessons, we will be following the Real PE sequence of lessons. We will be focusing on developing our social skills as well as learning the skills needed to for:

Autumn 1 - Coordination – footwork and static balance - on one leg

Autumn 2 - Dynamic Balance to Agility – jumping and landing and static balance - seated

Spring 1 - Dynamic Balance - on a line and static balance – stance

Spring 2- Coordination – ball skills & counter balance – with a partner

Summer 1 - Coordination – sending and receiving and agility - reaction/response

Summer 2 - Agility – Ball chasing & static balance – floor work

Geography

As geographers we will be learning all about:

- Spatial Sense
- The British Isles
- Northern Europe

History

As historians we will be learning all about:

- Romans in Britain
- The Tudors
- Powerful Voices

RE

During our RE sessions, we will discover how different religions can help us answer the following questions:

- Who is Jewish and what do they believe?
- What can we learn from sacred books?
- How and why do we celebrate special and sacred times?
- How should we care for others and the world and why does it matter?

PSHE and RSE:

During our PSHE sessions (One Decision) and through other areas of the curriculum, we will be learning about:

- Keeping / Staying Safe – Tying Shoelaces
- Keeping / Staying Safe – Healthy Eating and Brushing Teeth
- Relationships – Bullying & Body Language
- Being Responsible – Practise Makes Perfect & Helping Someone in Need
- Feelings and Emotions – Worry & Anger
- Computer Safety – Image Sharing and Computer Safety Documentary
- Our World – Living in Our World and Working in Our World