

Curriculum Information for Parents

Year 2 – Summer Term 2 2023

English

Children will be writing persuasive pieces of writing. They will be exploring a story called 'The Smed's and the Smoo's' (please do not read it if your children haven't already). We will also be developing our understanding of adventurous language and how we can use this within our writing. We will be reading the story 'Orion and the dark' to support this. In guided reading we will be focusing on retrieval of information from the text in order to answer questions.

Maths

Our daily maths sessions and mental maths this half term will include....

Statistics:

- *Make tally charts
- *Tables
- *Block diagrams
- *Draw pictograms (1-1)
- *Interpret pictograms (1-1)
- *Draw pictograms (2, 5, 10)
- *Interpret pictograms (2, 5 and 10)

Position and direction:

- *Language of position
- *Describe movement
- *Describe turns
- *Describe movement and turns
- *Shape patterns with turns

We will also have a big focus on the use of the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) and the language associated with them. The children will have problem solving questions whereby they have to think about which of the four operations needs to be used in order to solve the problem.

Let's Discover!

Other Information

- ❖ We will be spending the next half term learning songs ready for our leavers' play on **Wednesday 10th July**. Your child will be given a slip informing them of their character and the costume needed. If you have any questions, please speak to your child's teacher. We look forward to seeing you there. More information about tickets are to follow.
- ❖ Our Listen2Me concert for recorders will be taking place on Thursday 4th July at 2.15pm in the infant hall.
- ❖ Our P.E sessions will change each week depending on weather and show rehearsals. Please ensure that children have full named PE kit for all weather. This needs to include hats, water bottles and suncream.
- ❖ **Sports Day 3rd July juniors am, Infant races pm**
- ❖ There will be many transition experiences over the half term in preparation for your child moving up to year 3.

Home learning

- Thank you for continuing to be engaged in home learning. The children have produced some wonderful work.
- **Reading-** It is great to see so many of the children colouring in the leaves on their reading trees. Please remember they are to only colour a maximum of 2 per day.
- **Mental Maths** – Remember to login and play Times Tables Rockstars regularly.

Our learning during this unit will include....

Science

This half term we will be looking at the life cycle of animals and humans, including basic needs for survival. We will also be exploring the importance of exercise, diet and hygiene.

Computing

We will be learning some fundamental laptop skills including word processing.

PE

We will be focusing on continuing our dance in preparation for the dance festival at the beginning of sports day. We will also be developing our athletic skills to prepare for our tournament with local schools and sports day.

RE

We will be looking at the concept of specialness and how different religions have different special religious books. We will be visiting St. Boniface Church on Thursday 18th July, if you are available to accompany us please let the office know.

History

We will be looking at the life of Tim Peake, Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus. We will be looking at their achievements and comparing aspects of life in different periods.

Art

We will be looking at paper sculpture and using this to create space scenes.

PSHE

Children will be learning about 'How do we recognise our feelings?' We will be having a focus on transitioning to the junior school.

Music

Hampshire Music Service will continue to teach the children. They will be continuing to learn the recorder ready for our concert.