

Curriculum Information for Parents
Year 2 – Spring Term 2 2024

English

In English we will be looking at the different perspectives of the people aboard the Titanic. We will be using drama to support our thinking with this. Using what we have learnt we will be writing a diary entry from the perspective of somebody aboard the Titanic. Children will then have the opportunity to view a newspaper clipping from when the Titanic sunk. They will write their own newspaper article and write and perform a broadcast to share the news on the sinking of the Titanic.

Maths

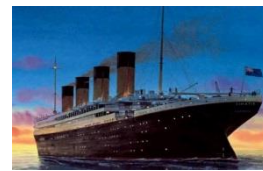
Our daily maths sessions and mental maths this half term will be focusing on the four operations (addition, subtraction, division and multiplication). We will be finishing our small steps for our multiplication and division unit including:

- Doubling and halving
- 2 times table, 5 times table and 10 times table
- Divide by 2, by 5 and by 10.

We will be teaching our measure units including length, height, mass, capacity and temperature. The small steps for this unit are:

- Measure in centimetres and metres.
- Compare and order lengths and heights.
- Using the four operations with lengths and heights.
- Compare mass.
- Measure in grams and kilograms.
- Four operations with mass.
- Compare volume and capacity.
- Measure in millilitres and litres.
- Four operations with volume and capacity.
- Temperature.

Titanic



Other Information

We are very excited to be teaching this topic. Every year the children have loved it. We kindly ask that you **do not** show your child the Titanic film. In previous years, children have found it difficult to separate between fiction and reality.

We are excited to announce that we will be embarking on the Titanic on **Tuesday March 12th**. We would like the children to dress up as 1st, 2nd or 3rd class citizens or crew members for the voyage. More information to follow.

We have booked a trip to the Sea City Museum on **Wednesday 20th March**.

Please ensure that children have a labelled PE kit in school at all times as our PE days may change. It is important that children have a PE kit suitable for all weathers, including trainers, as we will be doing PE outside.

Home learning

- We are very impressed with the home learning that the children have completed this half term. **Please do not bring any models in until the home learning due date. We will not be able to store them.**
- **Spelling** - We will continue to learn the Fryern common words in our English lessons. We will be focusing on the Year 2 words. Please support your children with their learning of the words. They are in their phonics folders at the back.

Our learning during this unit will include....

Computing

We will be continuing with Computer Explorers over this half term to learn about data and information by using pictograms.

PE

We will be exploring the skills needed in hockey such as how to control the ball and how to correctly hold and use the hockey stick. We will also be exploring the skills needed to play cricket such as throwing and hitting the ball.

Geography

Children will be naming the world's seven continents and oceans. They will be mapping the journey of the Titanic and identifying the location of hot and cold areas in the world.

History

Our Titanic topic focuses on events beyond living memory that are significant nationally, globally and locally. We will be looking at artefacts and photographs and asking lots of questions as well as lots of drama/role play.

RE

We will be looking at the concept of sadness to happiness. This will include the events of Easter.

Art

During next half term, we will explore well known artists who use charcoal as a medium. We will be learning skills and having a go!

Music

Hampshire Music Service will be continuing to teach the children tuned percussion. It's been fantastic to see the enthusiasm of the children in music lessons! We will be performing a concert for you on Thursday 14th March. More information to follow.

PSHE

What helps us to stay safe? We will explore the different ways in which we can keep ourselves safe e.g. road safety, water safety, online safety.