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Spelling / Handwriting

Each week your child will be sent home with a spelling and handwriting booklet to complete. The booklet will contain a list of spellings which children need to learn how to read and write in preparation for their weekly spelling test. It also contains a handwriting practise sheet to help children improve their handwriting and presentation of work in class. At the beginning of the year, your child will be given a list of words they should know by the end of the year that you can practise with your child on a regular basis.

Maths

Every Friday your child will also be given a piece of maths homework to complete at home. This will be something that they have already covered in school. The homework needs to be completed for the following Monday.

Don't forget...

Your child will be heard read every week in school and this will supplement reading activities in lessons. We would appreciate it, therefore, if you could ensure your child brings their reading book and record into school every day.

PE will be every Tuesday and Thursday. Please ensue your child has their full PE kit in school.

Year 2 Curriculum Leaflet Autumn 1

In this leaflet, you will find out about what your child will be learning during this half term and how you can help them at home.

It gives you information about what is going to be taught in all areas of the curriculum in school and suggests some ways in which you can get involved and help out at home.

We see this as a great opportunity for you to share in your child's education.

On the back page you will find further information regarding homework and what to expect each week.

Thank you for your support! Year 2 Staff



Mr Price



Mr Young

Bright Lights, Big Cities

What do you know about England's capital city? Let's find out all about London, including its history, transport and famous landmarks. Are you ready for the bright lights of the big city? Hop in a black cab and...enjoy the ride! In this topic, children will explore England's capital city. They will find out about London, including its history, transport and famous landmarks. Children will also explore other cities/towns in the UK.



Our Topic

This half term our topic is all about Bright Lights, Big Cities. We will be finding out about major cities around the world and through this, children will be developing skills in all areas of the curriculum. They will be finding out how London has changed overtime and comparing it with how it is today. In art, children will be looking at the work of the artist Steve Wiltshire and creating their own city skylines. They will also be locating capital cities on maps and designing and making a model of Big Ben.

We'd love for you to get involved and help your child get a better understanding of the topic. There are many ways you can help your child such as researching capital cities or creating a fact file about London.

RE & PSHE

Our RE topic is 'Giving Thanks to the Earth.' Children will be learning about the creation story and harvest festival.

In PSHE, children will be sharing interesting things about themselves and others, setting targets and discussing the difference between good and bad. Children will also be recognising the importance of teamwork.

Maths

In maths lessons, children will be adding and subtracting two, three and four digit numbers using the vertical method. They will be learning how to read time to the quarter hour, name 2D shapes, identify lines of symmetry and create real-life maths stories. They will also be learning about inverse and commutative law.



Children will be practising counting in 2s, 5s and 10s, recalling number bonds to 20 and finding ten more and less than a number. These are things you could help your child with at home.

Science

Our topic for science this half term is Plants.

We will be identifying the features of plants, observing and describing how seeds grow into plants and investigating conditions needed for plants to grow.





English

During English lessons, children will be reading the book A Walk through London. They will be discussing what happens in the book and completing work based on the text. You could help children at home by taking them to the library to find books about capital cities or research on the internet with them.

Children will be writing a poem about London using adjectives, writing sentences to describe characters with capital letters, full stops and finger spaces and creating a report about London.

Children will also be practising forming letters correctly and spelling words from the year 2 word list correctly. You could help at home by practising handwriting with your child and choosing some of the spellings from the year 2 word list to practise.

Reading

Your child will bring home a reading book to read to you. These books are chosen carefully based on assessments to help your child make the best progress with their reading. We would appreciate it if you could listen to your child read regularly and record brief comments in their reading record to let the teacher know how your child is getting on.

Your child will also be bringing home a library book to share with you. These books are chosen by the children and so may sometimes be quite difficult or seemingly easy for them to read. These books are for you to enjoy with your child rather than expect them to be able to read them to you.