

Year 2 Spring Term Newsletter 2024

Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed your break. Here is some information about what will be happening in the Spring term.

Curriculum

The theme for this term will be "Our World". We will be exploring the geography of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas. We will also be comparing the U.K. to India.

Our key learning objectives will be:

Science

- To identify and describe the suitability of everyday materials, including wood, metal, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses

Geography

- To use maps, atlases and globes to identify the U.K. as well as its countries, continents and oceans.
- To identify the physical geography of a small area of the U.K. and a contrasting locality.
- To identify human and physical features.

In Literacy

In literacy we will be reading the Katie Morag stories, The Tiger Child, Where the Wild Things Are and non-fiction texts linked to our geography and science curriculum. Our writing targets will be:

- To use coordinating (and, but, so, or) and subordinating (because, if, when) conjunctions.
- To use punctuation consistently; CL, FS, ?, ! and commas in a list.
- To form all lower case letters correctly with clear ascenders and descenders.
- To spell all common exception words correctly when writing.

In Numeracy

- To recap place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
To be able to recall number bonds up to 20.
- To understand and use the 2, 5 and 10 times tables to solve problems.
- To begin counting forwards and backwards in 3s.
- To tell the time to half past, quarter past and to and 5 minute intervals.

PSHRE

In PSHRE, we will be learning about different emotions and who to ask for help. We will then be learning about our bodies, growth and change including the scientific vocabulary for body parts. Finally, we will be talking about staying safe and what to do in an emergency.

Key Dates:

India day – Thursday 8th February 2024

Visit to the Sikh Gurdwara – Friday 9th February 2024 (As part of the RE curriculum)

Reading Books

All children have a set day for them to read their books in school and have their homework checked. Please ensure you are reading your child's home reader. Reading diaries need to be kept up to date with comments about your child's reading. Thank you for your continued support with this.

P.E lessons and Outdoor Learning

P.E lessons will continue to be every Tuesday. Please ensure that all kit and uniform is clearly named to prevent any confusion during changing times! Please remember your child will need to bring the correct kit; a green t-shirt, black shorts, socks and black school pumps. After the half term break, please supply your child with a pair of wellies to keep at school to ensure they can take part in forest school on Mondays.

Uniform

Please ensure that children come to school in the correct uniform, including shoes. We would like to ask you to make sure that **ALL** uniform and accessories are clearly labelled with your child's name to avoid any mix ups or children losing their belongings.

Punctuality

Just a reminder that the gates will be open at 08:45 in the morning and registers will be submitted at 08:55. Any children who arrive after this time will be marked in as late. The school day ends at 15:20 for Year 2.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to continuing to work with you and your child.

Year 2 Team