

We have had a fantastic start to Year 2 and look forward to the next term ahead. We have some really exciting lessons planned which we have detailed for you below.

English - Writing

At the end of last term, we began to look at writing instructions and the different elements involved with this. For our first week back, we will be continuing to look at instructions as part of our non-fiction text. Children will then begin to write their own set of instructions for how to make seed bombs.

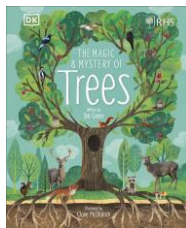
This term we will also be looking at some poetry and writing poems related to Bonfire Night.

Year 2 will also be writing a narrative as part of our fiction text which will be based on the BBC Christmas advert (2017) - My Christmas Star. For this unit, children will be learning to write using a range of descriptive techniques such as alliteration, simile and repetition. There will also be a focus on improving punctuation and grammar across writing pieces throughout the term.



English - Reading

As part of our reading curriculum this term Year 2 will be reading *The Magic and Mystery of Trees* by Jen Green as part of our non-fiction text. Children will learn about the features of a non-fiction book such as use of facts and diagrams. They will also learn a range of vocabulary and meanings from the key texts.



Children will learn to make inferences from the text and justify these with evidence from the text.

Maths

In Maths this term, we will be learning how to add 10 more/less and how to add and subtract two digit numbers. We will then be using this to support us in solving mixed addition and subtraction and two step problems and how to find the difference between two numbers.

We will also be looking at 2D and 3D shapes, using language such as vertices, edges and faces.

Science



This term, we will be learning about the properties of materials and how this makes different materials fit for different purposes. We will also be looking at how some materials can change shape when handled and conduct a simple experiment to test this. Recycling is another topic we will be covering, learning which materials can or cannot be recycled and this can help the planet.

DT

Our DT learning will be about planning and designing a structure based on playground equipment for a park. Linking to our Wicksteed visit last term, the children will focus on generating their ideas by drawing on their own experiences, use knowledge of existing products to help come up with ideas and explore materials, components and construction kits. They will be learning how to keep themselves and others safe when using tools such as scissors in a safe manner.

RE

In RE this term, our enquiry question is 'What was God's plan for Jesus?'. Within this, we will be looking at why Christians believe that Jesus was sent to Earth and how this relates to why Christmas is such an important time for them. We will also be revisiting the Christmas Story and how Christians prepare for Christmas with 'advent'. We will recap on some of the stories that we know about Jesus and how demonstrate his kindness.

Geography

In Geography, we will be focussing on developing the childrens' place knowledge of Scotland and comparing the physical features of two contrasting places in the UK - the Isle of Coll in Scotland and the seaside town of Ryde in the Isle of Wight. The children will be using their map skills to locate towns, cities and villages and presenting their ideas on which place they would prefer to visit or live, based on the information they gather about the areas.

Other useful information

PE - Our PE days this term are...
Class 7 - Friday
Class 8 - Friday
Class 9 - Friday

Please ensure that earrings are removed on PE days, hair is tied up and PE kit is brought into school to remain on their peg for the term.



Websites -

<https://play.trockstars.com/>

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>