



Curriculum Newsletter for Year 2 – Summer 2 – 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Summer 2! We hope that you've all had a relaxing half term. We'd like to share our curriculum overview with you about all the new and exciting learning that we have coming up for our final half term in Year 2.

Please note:

- PE day will be **Tuesdays and Thursday** (alternate weeks) so please ensure you have your full PE kit in on these days including trainers. This half term, PE will be outside when possible.
- Homework will be handed out on a **Thursday** to be returned on a **Tuesday**. Children will receive literacy and numeracy homework as well as spellings. Spelling tests are on a Wednesday. They are also expected to be reading daily; please comment in the reading records regularly so that we can see how they're getting on at home. Please also encourage your child to be playing on their Times Tables Rockstars account.

Please take a look at our Curriculum Map for this half term.

In literacy, we will be using the book 'Leaf' and writing for a range of purposes including non-chronological reports about polar bears. We'll also be working on a poetry unit where we'll be writing our own riddles.

In maths, we will be continuing our measurement unit of work. We'll be continuing to learn to tell the time before moving on to capacity, mass and temperature. We will continue to practise our arithmetic and times table skills daily.

In Jewish Studies, we will be learning about the 2 holy temples and what made them special. We will learn about the main events that led to the Temples being destroyed and how we can try to ensure we learn from the mistakes made.

In art, we will be working on weaving. We will be designing our own weave.

Our computing focus is emails. We will be working on typing and using Purple Mash to explore emails.

In PE, our focus will be basketball. We will be practising our basketball skills before applying these to mini games. We will be continuing to work on our core strength.

Our PSHE unit this term will be 'Keeping Myself Safe'.

Our RE focus is 'Religious Leaders' from different religions.

Our geography topic for this half term is 'Arctic Adventures'. We will be locating the Arctic Circle on a world map and the countries within it. We'll then be learning about the human and physical features in the Arctic Circle.

In science, we are learning about plants. We will be investigating the best conditions for growing plants, learning about the life cycle of a plant and considering the plants that we eat.