



Curriculum Newsletter for Year Two Autumn 1 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the first half term of the year. This will be a busy half-term for the children; they will be settling into their new classes and getting to know the adults working with them. I would like to share our Curriculum overview with you and some key dates for this half term.

PE is on **Mondays** please ensure your child has their full PE kit with them. Trainers/Plimsolls should be in school every day for the 'Daily Mile'.

Homework will go out **Thursday** and pupils will be expected to return their homework to school on **Tuesday**. Please ensure all homework is complete and back at school in time. Spelling's will be checked every **Friday**.

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

In Literacy we will be revising alternative phonics sounds and learning to apply them in our independent writing. We will be learning to innovate known stories to create our own stories and how to write expanded noun phrases to make our stories more detailed and interesting. We will be writing explanations about the lifecycle of butterflies.

In Maths we will be revising our 2, 5 and 10 times tables and using multiplication and division facts to help us solve problems. We will become more familiar with numbers between 1 and 100 and their value. We will learn how to partition two digit numbers in different ways and use this to help us solve addition and subtraction problems.

In Jewish Studies we will be building on our knowledge of the Jewish festivals and designing and labelling the features of a synagogue.

In Ivrit we will be learning new words to describe toys and practice our Ivrit speaking, reading and writing.

This term we will be studying Space Exploration in history. We will be finding out about the first people in space, the moon landings and key astronauts who changed the future of space travel.

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Space Exploration

In Science we will be investigating what animals and humans need to survive. We will be finding out what humans need to be healthy and how exercise affects the body. We will be sequencing the lifecycle of a butterfly.

In Art we will be finding out how mono-prints are created. We will be trying different methods to create monoprints and adapting our space designs to make prints. We will be printing with marbling inks to create the planets of the Solar System.

In PE we will be learning football skills to play games. We will be developing our dribbling, passing and scoring skills as well as learning some rules to play the defending and attacking games.

In Music we will be learning about long and short notes and recognising the difference between them. We will also be creating rhythms using percussion instruments.

In Computing we will be using paint and graphics packages to create images for our topic. We will be learning to use different tools and techniques to create a space themed image. We will be learning to take and edit pictures using the iPad to capture learning in the classroom and beyond.