

Year 2 Curriculum Overview

Spring 1 2021

Outdoor P.E. is on Tuesday for 2 Fir and 2 Holly.
Indoor P.E. is on Wednesday for 2 Fir and 2 Holly.
School opens at 8.20 and the register is taken by 8.40am.
Homework given out on **Thursday** and returned on **Tuesday**.

English

Genres: Diary writing and poetry.

Reading: Children will continue to apply phonic knowledge and skills so that reading is fluent. This half term we will focus on retrieving answers to questions, summarising what we have read, making predictions and inference.

Writing and spelling: Spelling will focus on words ending in -le, -el, -al. We will also be learning about homophones (words which sound the same but have different meanings).

Grammar and punctuation: We will be learning to use exclamation marks and question marks appropriately. We will also learn how to use commas in a list when using a string of adjectives to describe.

Key vocabulary: diaries, poetry, exclamation mark, question mark, expanded noun phrase, narrative, fiction, non-fiction

Other subjects

RE: Festivals and Celebrations

PE: Gymnastics

PSHE: Relationships

Computing: Effective Searching/Online Safety

Art: Botanical art and artists

Key vocabulary: symbolism, special, change, choices, kindness, culture, respect

Maths

Multiplication and Division

This half term we will continue to use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables, including recognising odd and even numbers.

We will solve problems involving multiplication and division using the symbols \times \div $=$ and use objects and pictures to support our understanding.

We will learn that the multiplication of two numbers can be done in any order (commutative) and division of one number by another cannot.

Statistics

We will learn to interpret and construct simple pictograms, tally charts, block diagrams and simple tables in the context of our ongoing science topic of Seasonal Change by observing the weather.

Then we will ask and answer simple questions by counting the number of objects in each category and sorting the categories by quantity.

Key Vocabulary: multiply, divide, facts, tables, commutative, interpret, construct, tally, table, category, sorting, quantity, total, data.

Science

This half term our science topic is 'Plants'. We will explore the various types of plants in our habitat and look closely at their features. We will observe how bulbs grow into mature plants and predict what bulbs need to grow healthily. We will learn about the life cycle of plants and plan a simple test to investigate what factors affect the growth of plants. To help us become better scientists, we will also learn about what fair testing is and suggest ways to improve our simple comparative investigation.

Key vocabulary: seeds, Bulbs, germination, reproduction, pollination, insects, disperse, photosynthesis, water, light, soil, variables, fair testing, comparative studies

Topic

Our topic for this half term is 'Pakistan'. We will be learning where in the world Pakistan is and investigating clothing, transport, weather, climate and food. We will use key geographical vocabulary to describe landscapes and will compare and contrast social aspects of life a different locality.

Key vocabulary: human, physical, natural, respect, environment, compare, landscape