



Year 2 Summer term



Welcome back after the Easter holiday. We hope you had an enjoyable break and were able to spend some well-earned quality time with your family and friends. Summer term is always a busy and exciting time full of learning, and we are looking forward to getting started.

Maths

In Mathematics, Year 2 children will continue developing their addition and subtraction skills, with a strong focus on money. They will also learn to find fractions of shapes, lengths and amounts. Children will continue to solve multiplication and division problems and will begin to work on mastering their times tables.

English

In English, children will continue to practise spelling, grammar, handwriting and punctuation, while applying these skills to write stories, information texts and poems. Children will be encouraged to extend noun phrases by using a range of conjunctions, verbs and adverbs in their writing. This will begin in our new English topic focused on the text 'Ravi's Roar.'

Science

As scientists, children will learn about plants. Building on their prior learning, children will learn about what plants need to grow and stay healthy, the process of germination, the life cycle of a plant and how plants survive in different climates.



Thematic

Our thematic units are cross-curricular, covering both traditional subjects and more modern areas of study such as sustainability and wellbeing. In Year 2, we are Pathfinders. Our first theme is 'Going Wild'.

'Going Wild' is a theme based around humans and animals, with a strong science focus. Children will learn about humans and animals, beginning by comparing the characteristics of living and non-living things. They will classify birds, fish, amphibians, reptiles and mammals.

There will be a particular focus on endangered animals, where children will explore extinction, wildlife conservation, habitat destruction and endangered species.



Our second theme is 'Record Breaker' (linked to the work of Randolph Fiennes), which has a strong historical focus and explores the lives of significant individuals.

'Come Fly with Me! Arctic Circle' is a thematic unit based on the Arctic region and links closely to geography. Children will learn about the location, climate and weather of the Arctic, as well as the wildlife that lives there. Human life will also be explored, including traditions and customs.



PSHE

Our focus this term will be looking at 'Aspiration and Money.' This unit explores thoughtful questions such as: What makes us good at something? Why do people have jobs? How do we decide when to spend or save?

P.E



In PE, children will learn how to use their bodies and equipment with increasing control, confidence and coordination. PE lessons will continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure earrings are removed prior to PE lessons and children have a PE kit in school.

Homework

Homework will alternate weekly between English and Maths and will always be linked to the learning covered in class. Please ensure that this is brought into school each Wednesday. House points are rewarded for consistently completed pieces.

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During the term, children will be learning about a variety of religions, with a focus on holy places of worship. They will explore why these places are special and important.