

Year 2 - Autumn Term



ENGLISH:

This term in Year Two we will be looking at:

- ✓ Reading and writing instructions
- ✓ Stories and a variety of poems with familiar settings
- ✓ Capital letters, commas and exclamation marks
- ✓ Favourite Poems
- ✓ The language of time
- ✓ Further high frequency words
- ✓ Common Spelling Patterns
- ✓ How to improve their handwriting

MATHEMATICS:

This term in Numeracy we will be looking at:

- ✓ Counting and properties of number
- ✓ Place value
- ✓ Ordering, rounding and estimating
- ✓ understanding + and -
- ✓ Money and real life problems
- ✓ Measure
- ✓ Fractions
- ✓ Shape and space

SCIENCE

Health and Growth:

Through this topic children learn that animals (including humans) grow and reproduce. They can use ideas about feeding and growth to learn about ways we need to look after ourselves to stay healthy.

Grouping and Changing Materials:

Through this topic children learn to distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made. They learn about some of the ways materials can be changed and that heating can cause changes which are often useful.

HUMANITIES:

Florence Nightingale

Children will study the life of Florence Nightingale, why she went to the Crimea to work as a nurse and what happened as a result of her work.

Remembrance Day

This is a shorter topic to coincide with Remembrance Sunday that will help the children to understand what happened and why it is important for us to honour this day.

ICT: Writing Stories: communicating information using text.

In this unit children learn to use words to communicate messages and recognise that ICT lets them correct and improve their work, as they are working or at a later date. Children will also have opportunities to discuss their experiences of using ICT.

Creating Pictures: In this topic, children will be creating pictures within a graphics package. They will be using simple techniques and learning to modify and correct their work.

ART: Print

This term, the children will have the opportunity to explore different methods of printing. Through these methods the element of pattern will be studied while children use string, stencils and even fish to print with!

DT: Puppets

This unit involves children making a textile product by marking out, cutting and joining pieces of fabric. Children look at a selection of hand puppets and base their design

P.E: Dance

In this unit children focus on creating and performing short dances that communicate different moods, feelings and ideas based on weather and seasons. This will include a 'welly walk' so props may be asked for nearer the time!

P.E: Gymnastics

In this unit children focus on increasing their range of basic gymnastic skills, with a focus on travelling. This includes both floor work and using apparatus to create, perform and evaluate simple sequences.

P.E: Games

This term we will be focusing on the necessary skills needed for team games, firstly sending and receiving, then travelling. The children will practice these skills both individually and in small groups which will then be developed in a game situation.

P.S.H.E: Knowing Me

This term's unit will allow the children to discuss their personal strengths and weaknesses, recognise how they can take responsibility and learn how to deal with their emotions. This will be taught mainly through a range of fiction and non-fiction texts.

Music: This term, children will be exploring the concept of 'pitch'; discovering what a high or low sound is and describing the concept using hand movements and percussion instruments.