



Information to parents - Summer Term - Year 2



Highlights of the year so far...

What a start we have had! The children have settled in so well to Year 2 life and have been working really hard. Here are a few of our highlights so far:

1. **Being Scientists** - This half term we completed lots of science experiments: testing materials, designing raincoats and testing the stretchiness of materials.
2. **Cuppa and Cheer!** We loved being able to share with you our British Hero song and Bluebell class poem and all our favourite songs we have learnt this year.
3. We had a visit from an elf and a donkey.
4. We went to the pantomime to watch Jack an the Beanstalk. What a fantastic afternoon we had!
5. **Being Historians** - We had a fantastic day with Past Productions learning all about the Great Fire of London through dance, art, quill writing and games.
6. We celebrated our **love of reading** on world book day and designed our own T-shirts.

Diversity - "We are all different; we are all wonderful". We enjoyed sharing our carefully chosen five favourite stories to celebrate our identity in the world and gain a deeper understanding of others.

What we will be learning about in Summer Term...

This term we will share these treasured stories. Our Favourite Five help us to celebrate our identity in the world and gives us insight into the lives of somebody who has different experiences to us.



Maths

Pupils will be working to achieve the following objectives:

Number: Fractions

- Recognise, find, name and write fractions $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{2}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ of a length, shape, set of objects or quantity.
- Write simple fractions for example, $\frac{1}{2}$ of 6 = 3 and recognise the equivalence of $\frac{2}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$.

Geometry: Properties of Shape

- Identify and describe the properties of 2-D shapes, including the number of sides and lines of symmetry in.
- Identify and describe the properties of 3-D shapes, including the number of edges, vertices and faces.
- Identify 2-D shapes on the surface of 3-D shapes - for example, a circle on a cylinder and a triangle on a pyramid.
- Compare and sort common 2-D and 3-D shapes and everyday objects.

Measurement: Time

- Compare and sequence intervals of time.
- Tell and write the time to five minutes, including quarter past/to the hour and draw the hands on a clock face to show these times.
- Know the number of minutes in an hour and the number of hours in a day.

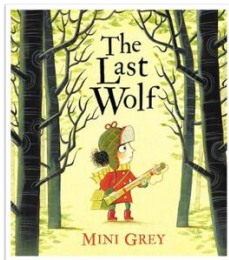
Geometry: Position and Direction

- Order and arrange combinations of mathematical objects in patterns and sequences.
- Use mathematical vocabulary to describe position, direction and movement, including movement in a straight line and distinguishing between rotation as a turn and in terms of right angles for quarter, half and three-quarter turns (clockwise and anticlockwise).

Statistics:

- Interpret and construct simple pictograms, tally charts, block diagrams and simple tables
- Ask and answer simple questions by counting the number of objects in each category and sorting the categories by quantity.
- Ask and answer questions about totalling and comparing categorical data.

English



Pupils will study *The Last Wolf* by Mini Grey. They will continue to practise using:

- The progressive form of verbs in the present and past tense
- Subordination (because, when) and coordination (and, but)
- Use punctuation correctly (as taught so far)
- Write sentences with different forms: statement, question, exclamation, command

They will learn how to use:

- Subordination (if, that)
- Use punctuation correctly - apostrophes for contracted forms

Phonics

Read Write, Inc Phonics/Comprehension

- Every day we learn to read and write in our *Read, Write, Inc* and *Comprehension* groups
- Pupils will learn to develop fluency and comprehension
- Pupils will write sentences with the correct punctuation and extend their writing into longer compositions.

Science

Plants

Pupils will also study plants this term. They will have the opportunity to:

- Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants.
- Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

Living things and their habitats - Habitats around the world.

Pupils will have the opportunity to:

- Explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead and have never been alive.
- Learn how to identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how that habitat provides basic needs.
- Learn how to identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats including microhabitats.

P.E.

Year 2 will continue to have P.E. on Friday afternoon and Rugby Tots on a Tuesday morning.

Dance

Pupils will learn movement patterns and sequence them to perform and choreograph their own basic routines.

Game skills

Pupils will master basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and co-ordination, and begin to apply these in a range of activities.

Rugby Tots

Pupils in Year 2 will have the opportunity to attend Rugby Tots with specialist rugby coaches. They will learn basic Rugby skills including throwing, catching and team skills.

Computing

Pupils will work on iPads to continue to develop their effective searching skills. Pupils will also learn how to make music on Purple Mash and present their ideas on Purple Mash.

History

Pupils will investigate their history topic through the following question: How has our local seaside changed in the last 100 years?

They will have the opportunity to discover their own local history through a trip to the seaside to compare changes.

Art

This term pupils will learn about and create collages within the theme 'mother nature'.

Music

Pupils will learn a song about friendship.

Geography

This term pupils will explore hot and cold places.

D.T.

Pupils will learn about mechanisms. They will have the opportunity to practically design and create their own working mechanism.

PSHE/SMSC/SEL/RSE

- Pupils will continue to explore the topic 'Healthy Me'.
- Pupils will explore the topics 'Relationships' and 'Changing Me'.
- In Religious Education, pupils will learn continue to learn about Christianity.
- Pupils will also explore Humanism.

Homework

Please listen to your child read regularly at home. They will be bringing a book home every night to read. Regular homework is set on mathematics.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Mrs France and Mrs Campbell