

<u>Spring Term 2025 - Year 2</u> Mrs Luscombe, Miss Warrilow and Mrs Vann

Welcome to the Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter. This is a summary of the learning planned for the Spring Term. If you have any concerns about your child's learning please contact Mrs Luscombe or Miss Warrilow directly, in the first instance.

Maths

Over the Spring term, we will continue to cover the Year 2 maths curriculum, with a focus on multiplication and division, learning to group and share in both equal and unequal groups. This will include the 10x, 2x and 5x tables and division facts, as well as doubling and halving numbers to 100. Children will continue to complete Club sheets in maths lessons once a week and will have a weekly arithmetic lesson. Both test their knowledge of multiplication and division facts, as well as number bonds to 20 and fractions of amounts.

RE

At the start of the spring term, we will be learning about Sikhism where we will be answering the key question 'what do Sikh's believe?' We will then move on to learning about Salvation where we will be answering the key question 'Why does Easter matter to Christians?'.

PE

Year 2 will continue to have PE on Tuesday afternoon and Friday morning. Our topics this term are dance and gymnastics. Please ensure children have PE kits in school for both lessons and please remove any earrings on these days.

English

In the first part of the term, we will be exploring the books 'Vlad and The Great Fire of London' by Kate Cunningham

and 'The Great Fire of London' by Emma Adams. In the second part of the term, we will move on to exploring the 'Great Adventurers' by Alastair Humphreys. As part of our cracking comprehension, we will be reading a range of different texts. When exploring each text, we will be continuing to answer questions relating to the key reading skills (FIRECUP).



In our English lessons, we will be creating and writing some stories, which will link to the books that we read in our reading lessons. We will be focusing on introducing some more of the Year 2 writing features including subordinating conjunctions, suffixes, past tense and different sentence types. Throughout the term, we will be writing different genres including a diary entry, wanted poster, recount and letter.

Science

This term we will continue our learning on animals including humans. We will be investigating ways to keep our bodies healthy through hygiene, exercise and eating a balanced diet. After half term, we will begin our plants topic. Our investigations will include "How long does a Amaryllis bulb take to grow?" and "Will plants survive without water?"

Computing

This term we will be exploring areas of computer science including robot algorithms and programming quizzes. We will continue to discuss online safety throughout the term, ensuring children understand the age rules for some sites, know the importance of keeping personal information private and know where to go for help and support when they have concerns about content or contact online. TOP TIP for adults: be clear about what your child can and can't do online – where and when they can use the internet, how much time they can spend online, the sites they can visit and the type of information they can share.

Other Curriculum Areas

In the first part of the term, we will continue our Great Fire of London topic in history, where we will answer the question "Did the Great Fire make London a better or worse place?"



We will then continue our history learning with a topic on explorers of the past and present day.



We will also be making an explorers backpack as part of our Design technology topic and using Georgia O'Keefe's flowers as our inspiration for our painting unit in art.

Our PSHE topics for this term will be Online Relationships and Internet Safety, followed by Healthy Eating and Lifestyles.

In our music lessons, we are going to begin to compose our own versions of our key songs using the glockenspiels and recorders.



Diary Dates

31.01.25 Y2/3 Spelling workshop breakfast 05.03.25 Y2 Eucharist 14.03.25 Y2 Come Dine with Me 01.04.25 Parents' Evening 5 pm - 8pm 02.04.25 Parents' Evening 3.30pm -5.30pm

07.04.25 - 08.04.25 Y1/2 Kingswood Residential

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