

Year 2 Spring Term Learning



English:

Our novel throughout the spring term will be 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes. We will read about the Iron Man's unconventional arrival on the beach and how he steadily wins over the sceptical people locals. Genres covered will include persuasive letter writing and newspaper reports, as well as continuing to further explore how to write from the perspective of a character. We will be focusing on extending our sentences using both subordinating and co-ordinating conjunctions, as well as building independence in making decisions on content. We will be building our knowledge and understanding around adverbs and how they can add to our writing.

Maths:

As part of our spiral curriculum, we will be continuing to build and consolidate our understanding of how to use written methods to solve addition, subtraction, multiplication and division sums. We will also spend time looking at measuring length/height, mass, temperature and capacity, as well as learning about 3D shapes and telling the time. We will add to our existing understanding about fractions, and how they relate to division and multiplication.

Topic:

Our science topic is animals and humans, where we will learn about the diets of humans and different types of animal as well as the things which animals and humans need to survive. In geography we will be comparing our local human and physical geography with places further afield, in addition to identifying the seven continents and five oceans of the world. We will be using clay to make sculptures in art.

Other information:

PE will take place on Tuesday morning and Friday afternoon each week. There is an additional short fitness session on Wednesdays, for which PE kit is not required. Children need to arrive in their PE kit for the Tuesday morning session with their uniforms in a bag to change into. Please ensure you are familiar with the new requirements for PE kit, detailed on the school website.

Children need to bring in their own water bottle from home.

All Year 2 classes will be dismissed at the end of the day from their collection bay in the Grant playground. Please enter school via the main black gates on Bishop Road.

Please label all aspects of your child's uniform with their name, including their PE kit, as this makes it much easier to reunite their belongings with them!

How can I help:

Please read with your child as regularly as possible — little and often is the best. This can be a mixture of them reading to you, you reading to them or shared reading.

Supporting your child to learn their times tables is a huge help, as so much of the maths curriculum throughout primary school is made easier by good knowledge of multiplication and division facts. The 2, 5 and 10 times tables are the main priority in Year 2.

Please support your child with any homework they may be set and with their weekly spellings. These will be made available on the Year 2 webpage.



English

Autumn: Fiction writing based on *The Twits*.
Non-fiction and fiction writing based on *The Ice Palace*.

Spring: Fiction & non-fiction writing based on *The Iron Man*. Non-fiction writing based on dendrology.

Summer: Poetry and novel writing.

Maths

Autumn: Place value, four operations(+ - x ÷), fractions, shapes.

Spring: Place value, four operations, measure, time, shapes, fractions, money.

Summer: Fur operations, fractions, shapes, measure, statistics.

Physical Education

Autumn: Athletics, skipping, personal best, football, basketball, netball, rugby

Spring: Dance, gymnastics, athletics

Summer: Racket sports, cricket, rounders

Science

Autumn: Plants and Trees

Spring: Animals and Humans

Summer: Everyday materials; Habitats

History

Autumn: The Great Fire of London

Spring: Queen Elizabeth II

Summer: Castles and Knights

Geography

Autumn: Maps and their key features

Spring: The Wider World

Summer: Our local area

Computing

Autumn: Digital literacy: e-safety

Spring: Computer science: to write a program that achieves a specific goal.

Summer: Information technology: to make an animation.

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Autumn: Pop-up books

Spring: -

Summer: Bug Hotels

Religious Education

Autumn: Where do we belong? Why are some stories special?

Spring: Who are we? Why is Jesus important?

Summer: Why are some places special?

Music

Autumn: Hands, Feet and Heart

Spring: I wanna play in a band!

Summer: BBC 10 pieces

Art

Autumn: Collage

Spring: Sculpture

Summer: Textiles and Digital Media

Growth and Reflection

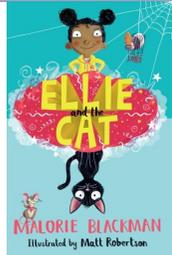
Autumn: Anti-bullying; Online safety

Spring: Body image; managing conflict

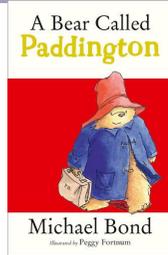
Summer: Kindness; Where money comes from

Recommended Reads for Year 2 at Bishop Road

FICTION



Ellie and the Cat
Malorie Blackman



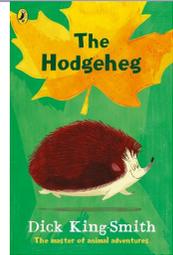
A Bear Called Paddington
Michael Bond



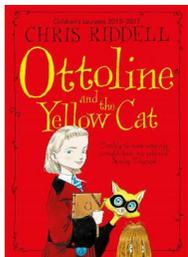
Flat Stanley
Jeff Brown



The Truth Pixie
Matt Haig



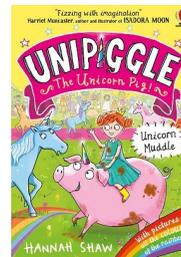
The Hodgehog
Dick King Smith



Ottoline and the Yellow Cat
Chris Riddell



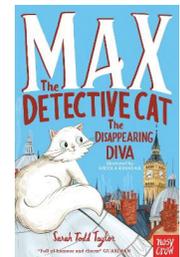
Do Not Disturb the Dragons
Michelle Robinson



Unipiggle
Hannah Shaw



Mr Penguin and the Lost Treasure
Alex T. Smith



Max the Detective Cat
Sarah Todd Taylor

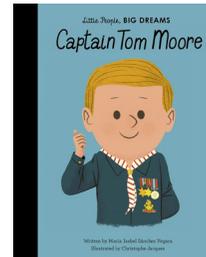
NON - FICTION



The Great Fire of London
Emma Adams



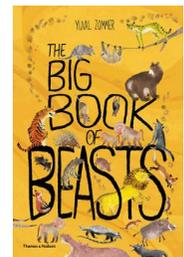
The Skies Above My Eyes
Charlotte Guillain



**Little People, Big Dreams:
Captain Tom Moore**
Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara

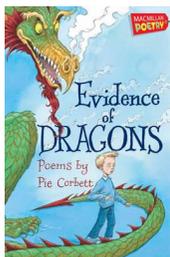


Malala's Magic Pencil
Malala Yousafzai

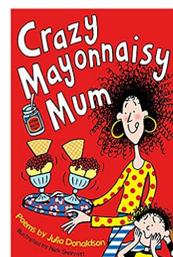


The Big Book of Beasts
Yuval Zommer

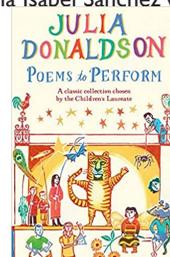
POETRY



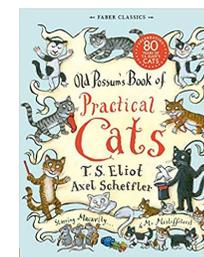
Evidence of Dragons
Pie Corbett



Crazy Mayonnaisy Mum
Julia Donaldson



Poems to Perform
Julia Donaldson



Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats
T.S. Eliot



Perfectly Peculiar Pets
Elli Wollard