

Year 2 Autumn Term Learning



English:

Our first novel to welcome the children into Year 2 will be *The Twits* by Roald Dahl. The children will meet the horrible pair of protagonists along with Mugglewump and his monkey family and the vibrant, technicolour Roly-Poly Bird. The children will be broadening their vocabulary choices and increasing the variety of their sentence structures. They will continue to develop their cursive handwriting, including lead-in strokes, with the aim of their handwriting being fully cursive by the end of the year. They will initially focus on descriptive pieces, developing their use of technical features such as expanded noun phrases.

Maths:

Our work in maths will initially focus on securing and extending understanding of numbers up to 100. We will then look at place value and begin to learn written methods for addition and subtraction by using a number line. This will include being able to calculate number pairs to 20 and 100 and efficiently finding 10 more or less. After, we will be looking at multiplication, looking to move from concrete objects to visual representations.

Topic:

Our science topic is Plants, with specific focus on trees and the life cycle of plants. In geography we are looking at maps, as well as understanding about aerial photographs. Our art work will comprise of a variety of artists who use different media and collage techniques to create their pieces. In RE, we are looking at Islam, including the holy month of Ramadan. For music, we are learning a modern twist on a South African folk song.

Other information:

PE will take place on Tuesday morning and Friday afternoon each week. 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 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 or the green gate on Monk 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*.

Summer: Romeo and Juliet and Poetry.

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: Portraits

Spring: Sculpture

Summer: Textiles and Digital Media

Growth and Reflection

Autumn: Being me; celebrating unity

Spring: Dreams and goals; healthy me

Summer: Relationships; changing me

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

NON - FICTION

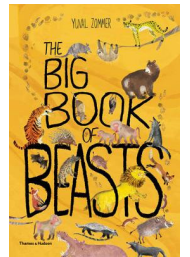
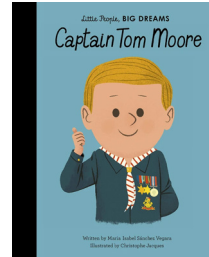
Ottoline and the Yellow Cat
Chris Riddell

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



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 Mayonnaisi Mum
Julia Donaldson

Poems to Perform
Julia Donaldson

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

Perfectly Peculiar Pets
Elli Wollard