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Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter



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'Marvellous Me'



Literacy

As they move up to Year 2, children will continue to explore texts using the 'Talk for Writing' approach. We will begin the term using the story 'Dogger' by Shirley Hughes to promote skills for writing through grammar lessons, role play, story mapping and shared writing to create our own texts about a missing toy. Children will also explore poetry, learning how to recite a poem and identifying patterns and rhyme within a range of different poems.

Numeracy

Year 2 children will become increasingly familiar with numbers up to 100 and will be learning to use a range of equipment to show how 2-digit numbers are made up of tens and ones. Children will become confident in counting forwards and backwards in 1s and 10s from any number within 100. They will use their developing knowledge of place value to compare 2-digit numbers and to add and subtract using equipment including Base Ten, Numicon and number lines. Throughout the term, they will be encouraged to solve problems, challenges and investigations based on number, place value, money and shape.

Science

Children will learn about how humans change and grow; the basic life cycle of human beings; and what humans need to keep healthy. They will compare skills they have now to things they could do when they were younger.

Computing

Children will learn about eSafety, identifying and discussing the problems and dangers that could occur and how to keep themselves safe online. They will also learn about digital music and explore how music makes us feel.



PE

During indoor PE, children will explore the language of dance, developing self-expression through creativity and individuality. In outdoor sessions we will use the Real PE scheme to work on skills in footwork, coordination and balance.

RE

Year 2 will explore the topics of belonging and citizenship and look at the rules and principles of different religions. They will consider what makes a good team player and reflect on different causes of anger.

History & Geography

Year 2 will research famous people, including paralympians and Rosa Parks, to find out why they are MARVELLOUS. Children will look at features of Granby's historical building and identify how school life has changed over time.

Art & Design Technology

Children will create a self-portrait entitled 'Marvellous Me!' They will explore the artwork of Andy Warhol and create their own image in the style of his work. In Design Technology the children will be developing basic sewing skills.

PSHCE

Year 2's Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education will focus on understanding rights, rules and responsibilities for themselves and others. They will look at processes for decision-making and understand what is meant by democracy.

Music

Children will discover ways to use their voices to describe feelings and moods through vocal sounds, building to a performance. They will develop a sense of steady beat, respond to music and play rhythms using body percussion and instruments.

Important Information

- Children should read to an adult at home at least three times a week in line with our Home Reading Agreement. **Books and reading diaries must be brought to school every day.** Reading diaries will contain the graphemes children are working on from our new phonics scheme. Children should also practise their recognition and spelling of everyday words: the set they are working on can also be found in their reading diary.
- Children's homework will be sent out on a **Friday** and will be focused on either literacy, numeracy or topic work. The work will always reflect what children have been learning about in school during the week, so that they have a good idea of what to do. Homework should be returned by the following **Wednesday**.
- PE is on a **Monday** for both **2B Ladybirds** and **2M Butterflies**. Children should continue to come into school wearing their PE uniform on their PE day. Jewellery [especially earrings for pierced ears] must not be worn and is best removed at home. Long hair should be tied back. Children will have two PE sessions on their PE day, one of which will be outside. Please ensure that children are wearing clothing that is suitable for both sessions.
- Children are encouraged to bring water bottles to drink from during the day. Please send your child with a named water bottle every day. Water bottles used in the classroom should contain plain water. Cartons of juice can be included as part of a packed lunch. Fruit is provided at break time.
- Finally, we are really pleased at how the children have settled into Year 2 and their new classes. Thank you for your continued support.