



## Year 2 Spring Term Curriculum Letter



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### Welcome

The children have settled back into school very quickly after the Christmas break. They enjoyed learning about 'Growth Mindset' on the first day back. We are hearing lots of phrases like "I can't do it .... yet!"

This letter gives you an overview of what to expect from the Spring term, including details of the curriculum.

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**Year 2 team**

### Mathematics

In our 'Maths No Problem' lessons we will be developing our mathematical skills, reasoning and problem solving through the topics of:

**In the first half term:** Multiplication and Division.

**In the second half term:** Length, Mass & Temperature.

In Arithmetic lessons, we will learn a range of methods to solve various addition, subtraction, multiplication and division number problems.

In our times table lessons we will learn and practise the 2 and 5 times tables.

**How can parent/Carers help?** Practise times tables and complete weekly maths homework.

### Foundation Subjects

**Humanities** – The children have already learnt about the 4 countries in the United Kingdom. Children will be learning about the 7 continents of the world.

**Science** - The children will learn and describe what a plant needs to stay healthy and alive.

**Art** – Children will be creating artwork based on maps, to build their own Year 2 town! Pupils will produce observational drawings of different houses, and use various techniques and media to produce both man made and physical geographical features.

**RE and Philosophy** - In R.E this half term we are looking at different stories from the Bible.

**Music** – Children will learn to sing songs and listen to folk music. The children will learn to play tuned percussion instruments, follow notation and compose their own pieces of music.

**Computing** - Pupils will be taught E-safety this term as well as develop their skills using Paint and writing apps.

### English, Grammar and Spelling

We will learn how to write an Adventure story and an Information text about animals in Africa.

The skills we will develop are:

- Using expanded noun phrases
- Using a variety of conjunctions
- Using the correct punctuation

In our Grammar lessons we will learn how to write words with suffixes and how to change words from the singular into the plural.

In spelling we will continue to learn a variety of rules. These will be explained in our homework sheets.

Reading will focus on learning how to retrieve answers from a text.

**How can parent/Carers help?**

Please read with your child every day and help your child to practise the weekly spellings.

### PSHE

In the first half term, we will be learning how to develop a 'Growth Mindset.' In the second half term, we will focus on the Community.

### Homework and Reading

Our Spelling and Maths homework is given out on a Thursday and should be returned by the following Tuesday. Please practise times tables.

We expect children to read: 3 times a week = Bronze, 4 times a week = Silver and 5 times a week = Gold

### PE

**Our PE day is Wednesday.**

1<sup>st</sup> half term: Ball skills

2<sup>nd</sup> half term – Inclusion games