

Year 2 Curriculum Overview

Autumn term 2018

Class 2J, 2P & 2N



This information tells you what your child will be learning this term in school. We really value your support and the help that you can give your child with their learning.

These are some of the things you can do:

- Take them to the library so they have a wider choice of books to read.**
- Find information from the internet about the topics we are learning.**
- Help your child to learn spellings given to them every week – READ SAY WRITE CHECK.**
- Read with your child every day for at least 10 minutes and come to *Everyone Reads* every Friday.**
- Help them to make sure they have everything they need in school on the right day e.g. their PE bag.**

The curriculum

Our focus this term in English:

- Recounts - this will include writing letters or diary entries as famous people and describing events from the past.
- Poetry – reading classic poems written by famous poets from the past. The children will write their own poems based on those read.
- Stories with familiar settings – children will read stories based on schools, London, or other familiar settings. They will then develop their own stories with different settings and characters.
- Non – chronological reports – information texts based on famous people studied or London. The children will learn how to structure these reports. They will also produce their own reports.



In Maths we will be learning to:

- Count, read, write and compare numbers to 100. Count to and from 100, forwards and backwards from any number.
- Count in steps of 2, 3, 5 and 10 from any number forwards and backwards.
- Identify 1 more or less than any number.
- Know and use number bonds to 10 and 20.
- Recognise, find and name half of an object, shape or quantity.
- Compare, describe and solve practical problems involving length, height, weight, capacity and volume.
- Tell the time to the hour and half past the hour.
- Recognise and name common 2D and 3D shapes.

The topic in the 1st half of term is *London*:

- In **DT** we will be learning about the structures of houses during The Great Fire of London.
- **History** will include learning about the Great Fire of London and The Great Plague.
- **Geography** will include studying the local area and the local environment; looking at the UK.
- In **Music** we will sing songs about London and learn to sing in rounds.



- In **RE** we will be looking at Christian and Sikh places of worship and important people within these religions.
- In **Art** we will be exploring different techniques to create a firework picture.
- In **Science** we will be looking at materials and their properties.
- In **Computing** we will be looking at using simple drawing software to create pictures.
- In **PSHCE** we will be learning about citizenship and the rights of the child.



The topic in the 2nd half of term is *Famous People*:

- In **History** we will be learning about Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole.
- In **Art** we will be learning about Vincent Van Gogh.
- In **Music** we will be learning about famous composers such as John Williams.
- In **Geography** we will be using maps and atlases; looking at different European countries.
- In **Computing** we will be learning how to create a PowerPoint.
- **PSHE** will include new beginnings and the role of drugs as medicine.
- In **Science** we will continue to learn about materials and their properties.
- In **RE** we will be continuing to learn about Christianity and Sikhism.
- In **PSHCE** we will be learning about our strengths and our areas of development. We will also learn about bullying.



Other information:

PE & swimming:

Each class will have 1 session of PE and 1 session of swimming per week.
 2J and 2P will have PE and swimming on a Thursday.
 2N will have PE on a Monday and swimming on a Wednesday.

Please send your child's PE and swimming kits in on a Monday and they will be sent home once they are finished with.

Class assemblies:

2J – Friday 30th November at 9.15 am
2N – Friday 7th December at 9.15 am
2P – Friday 14th December at 9.15 am

Trips & visitors:

Over the year we will be taking the children on a range of trips and inviting visitors into school, to enrich their experiences. The total cost will be approximately £30 for the year.

When taking the children out of school we rely on parental help. We will inform you of any trips in advance and all the dates will be on the school calendar which can be accessed on the website.

This term we hope to take the children on the London Eye and a River Thames boat cruise and have an actress come in to teach the children all about Florence Nightingale.

We are looking forward to having a productive and enjoyable year with you and your child. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year Two team.

Miss Jeway, Miss Pindoria & Miss Nuttall