

# Autumn Term 2023



## Year 2

Year 2 will be taught by Mrs Doyle, supported by Miss Rothwell.

### English



We will be focusing on a variety of text types: fables, stories and information texts. In reading, the children will be developing a better understanding by using a variety of texts to answer different types of questions. In their writing, children will be encouraged to use their phonic knowledge to write independently, and read their writing to check it makes sense. They will use interesting vocabulary, a variety of connectives, sentence starters and punctuation. They will be learning about the different features of both fiction and non-fiction writing. Spellings will follow our phonics work each week and will include spelling of common exception words. In handwriting the children will continue to develop letter formation and the understanding that presentation is important so they can read their own writing.

### Mathematics

Maths will focus on being able to:

- read, write and order numbers to 100 and beyond
- speed up recall of number bonds (+ and -) to 10 then 20
- place value, tens and ones, comparing numbers
- develop an understanding of addition and subtraction
- learn about shapes

### Geography and History



In Geography, children will be learning about where they are in the world. They will be locating continents and oceans using maps and globes. They will also be looking at the physical and human features of a continent. In History, we will find out about Guy Fawkes and Bonfire Night, and consider health and safety around fire in PSHE.

## Science

This term the focus will be on animals including humans. We will learn about a Key Scientist. Children will work scientifically identifying and classifying animals, performing simple tests and use their observations to gather and record data. The children will find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival. They will also describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food and hygiene.

## RE

In RE the children will be exploring what God is like and thinking about why Christmas is important to Christians.



## PE

The children will develop throwing and catching skills, including agility, balance and co-ordination. Please could you ensure that your child has a PE kit that is suitable for indoors and outdoors, including tracksuit and trainers.

## Computing

The children will be learning about online safety, including the importance of passwords to protect their information, accounts and devices. They will find out about what is meant about “private” and keeping things “private”. Children will also looking at computer systems and IT around us.

## Music

Children will develop an awareness of pitch using a variety of activities including body movements and visual representation, leading to the introduction of the first two solfa signals (*so* and *mi*) and their respective handsigns. They will learn to develop accurate pitching through listening and singing and develop inner hearing using the ‘thinking voice’.



## **Helpful information:**

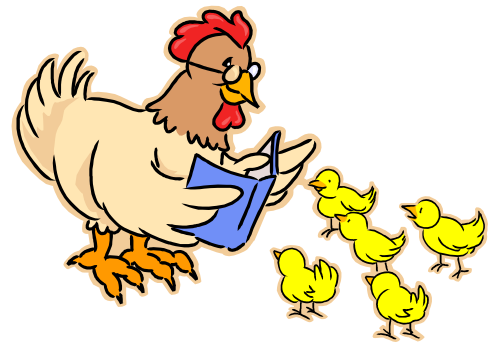
Spelling check – Monday

PE – Week 1 – Tuesday & Wednesday

Week 2 – Tuesday

(Earrings must be removed)

We can now keep PE kits in school.



### **Homework:**

Reading – daily practise with an adult

Reading books will be given on Friday and must be returned on Thursday. Please can you keep your child's reading book in their red book bag and bring to school every day.

English or Maths will be given on Friday. Please return on Thursday in their reading packet.

Spelling – weekly list, given on Monday

(Practising number bonds and times tables regularly and encouraging your child to tell the time would be beneficial)

Please remember to sign your child's reading book and comment so we know how they are reading at home.