

**Spring Term 2024**



**Year 2**

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

### English

In Writing, the children will be learning about the features of letters, diaries, and fantasy stories. They will then plan and write their own. Through editing, the children will be making sure that their writing shows:

- the correct punctuation: capital letters, full stops, question marks, exclamation marks, commas in lists.
- the correct features and exciting vocabulary.
- most common exception words spelt correctly.
- well-formed handwriting.

In Reading, the children will be taught how to answer inferential and deductive type questions by using clues from the text, eg How do you know...?, Why do you think ...?, Why does the author use ...?

### Maths

In Maths we will continue to develop fluency, reasoning and problem solving. Children will learn multiplication and division facts. By the end of Year 2 the children should know their 2x 5x and 10x tables and related division facts, eg if  $2 \times 5 = 10$  then  $10 \div 5 = 2$ . It is also important that the children know that to work out  $3 \times \square = 6$ , they divide 6 by 3. Similarly, to check that  $42 - 3 = 39$ , they can add 39 and 3 to make 42. Quick recall of number bonds to 10 then 20 will help children with all their Maths. Doubles, halves, length, height, mass, capacity, temperature and money will also be taught this term.

### Science

Children will learn about uses of everyday materials.

### History and Geography

In Geography, children will use globes, atlases and annotate maps to identify the world's hot and cold regions, locating the UK within them. They will find out about what it is like to live in these climates. In History, children will learn about 'The Great Fire of London' and how it led to changes in our lives today.

## RE

Children will learn about who is Jewish and how they live? They will think about these Key Questions:

What is Judaism?

Which items are precious to Jews?

How do Jewish people celebrate their holy day?

What are the Jewish festivals?

What does the Jewish holy book teach us?

They will learn how symbols can help us to understand the Easter Story by answering Key Questions:

Why is Easter the most important festival in the Christian calendar?

What has saving people and rescue got to do with Jesus and Easter?



## PSHE

Through the topic 'Valuing Difference', children will learn about what makes them who they are, their special people, how they make others feel, what they could do if someone is feeling left out, and about acts of kindness. Through the topic 'Keeping Safe', children will learn about safe and unsafe secrets, appropriate touch and medicine safety.

## Music

Children will be exploring what is meant by pitch and learning how to control the pitch of the voice. They will respond to changes in pitch and learn that percussion instruments produce different pitches.

## PE

Children will develop balances and movements and their fitness, by learning to skip with control and balance. PE will also be taught by our Sports Coaches.

## **Helpful information:**

Reading books – sent home Friday, to be returned Thursday



PE – Tuesday & Wednesday

Spelling check – Monday

## **Homework:**

Reading – please read with your child daily

Spelling – weekly list; short daily practice

Mental Maths – quick recall of number bonds, practised regularly. Topmarks Hit the Button

Timestables Rockstars- daily practice, passwords will be sent this half term.