Year 2 Autumn 2

English

This half term, our English learning will be inspired by three exciting books: The Proudest Blue, Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus and Paddington's Post.

Children will develop their writing skills by writing personal narratives about special memories, exploring punctuation including apostrophes and learning how to write letters. They will focus on using descriptive language, different sentence types and past and present tense correctly.

In spelling, we will follow the Little Wandle Bridge to Spelling programme, exploring spelling patterns and rules, including double letters and suffixes such as -ing, -ed, -s and -es. Children will also continue developing their handwriting and confidence in writing independently.

Science

Children will learn about the basic needs of animals, including humans and what they need to survive and grow. They will explore how animals change as they grow from babies into adults and why food, water, oxygen and a suitable temperature are essential for survival. We will also learn about the importance of healthy eating, regular exercise and good hygiene in keeping our bodies healthy.

RE

Why does Christmas matter to Christians?

Maths

Children will continue developing their addition and subtraction skills, using number facts to add and subtract one-digit numbers and multiples of ten from two-digit numbers. They will practise strategies such as making ten, partitioning numbers and solving problems in different contexts.

We will also begin exploring multiplication, learning how to make equal groups, use repeated addition and write multiplication equations. Children will begin developing their understanding of the 2 times table and use this knowledge to solve problems.

Throughout the term, we will continue building children's confidence, fluency and problem-solving skills through practical activities and mathematical reasoning.

DT

In our Salads unit, children will explore where food comes from and the importance of healthy, balanced eating. They will investigate different tastes and textures, practise food preparation skills such as chopping, grating and mixing and learn about food hygiene. Children will then use these skills to prepare and evaluate a variety of healthy salads.

Computing

In our Digital Photography unit, children will learn how to take photographs using different digital devices. They will explore how to capture, edit and improve their photos, while developing an understanding that images they see may have been changed and might not always be real.

History

This half term, children will explore how Seaton Sluice and the surrounding area have changed over time. They will compare photographs from the past and present, identifying similarities and differences. Children will also learn how historians use different sources to investigate the past and practise ordering historical events chronologically.

PSHE

Children will learn how to stay safe online, understand different types of meetings, use medicines safely, recognise private body parts and understand the importance of fire safety.

Music

Children will explore the Christmas song Ho Ho Ho, developing their musical skills through singing, playing instruments and musical games. They will also listen to and appreciate different styles of music while developing their understanding of rhythm, pulse and pitch.

PE

Tuesday- Fitness

Wednesday- Makaton Dance

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