

# Autumn Term 2024



# Year 2

Year 2 will be taught by Mrs Doyle, supported by Mrs Obafunwa and Mrs Syeda.

## 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.

## Maths

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

## 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 survival needs of animals, including humans. 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.



## History

In History, we will find out about Guy Fawkes and Bonfire night.



## Geography

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.

## PSHE

In PSHE, children will be learning to develop positive relationships. They will be able to tell the difference between bullying and teasing, suggest rules that will help our classroom be a happy and friendly environment and understand the things that make a good friend. They will also learn to express their feelings in a safe controlled way. They will learn to value difference and the importance of being kind and helpful.

## Music

Children will be learning about different sound sources. They will be exploring classroom instruments and discovering how to play them in different ways. Children will make and select sounds to reflect the mood of a story, and sounds to describe a scene.



## Art

In Art, the children will be developing their drawing skills through the introduction of Key Artists and the Enquiry Question: How can we become open, curious, explorers of the world, and use what we find to inspire us to make art?

## Design & Technology

In Textiles, children will be learning to research existing puppets. They will also learn the skills of cutting out a template, threading a needle and sewing. Using these skills, they will design, make and evaluate their own puppet.

## 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.

## 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.

## **Helpful information:**

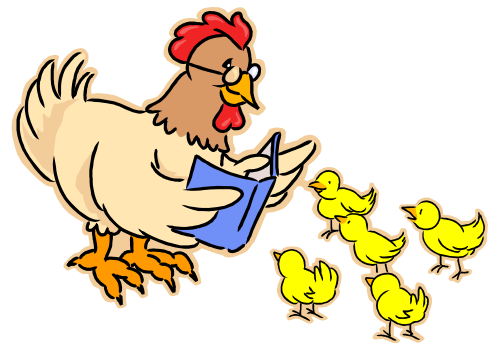
Spelling check – Monday

PE – Week 1 – Tuesday & Wednesday

Week 2 – Tuesday & Thursday

(Earrings must be removed)

PE kits are kept 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.

Spellings – new spellings will be uploaded on Edshed on a Monday. Please help your child to practise their weekly spellings.

(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 every time they read so we know how they are reading at home.