YEAR 2: SUMMER 2 WHAT WILL YOUR CHILD LEARN THIS HALF TERM?

ENGLISH

Key Question: What makes information texts Interesting to read?

Pupils will engage in various writing activities to inform and engage readers. They will learn to write instructions, postcards, simple leaflets, and recounts, focusing on the purpose and audience of each text type. Additionally, pupils will explore poetry for one week, analysing what makes information texts interesting to read through their structural and language features.

MATHEMATICS

In Mathematics, pupils will explore essential concepts such as place value in 3-digit numbers and arithmetic operations. They will learn to understand the value of digits in numbers up to 999 and how to perform calculations involving addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. Mental arithmetic skills will also be developed, enhancing pupils' ability to solve mathematical problems quickly and accurately. These topics lay a strong foundation for further mathematical learning and problem-solving.

SCIENCE

Key Question: Why are plants so important for humans?
Pupils will explore the essential factors that plants need to grow and thrive. They will learn about the different requirements such as water, sunlight, nutrients, and soil conditions that support plant growth. Pupils will also investigate how plants adapt to various habitats and environments, understanding the factors that influence their survival and growth.

Geography

Key Question: Why do people still like going to the seaside today?

In Geography this half-term, pupils will learn what a seaside is, identify features of coastal landscapes, and understand why some places are suited to being seaside resorts. Pupils will also use Google Maps to observe coastal areas from above and compare how these locations have changed over time.

RELIGIOUS EDUCTION (RE)

Key Question: How should we care for the world and others and why does it matter?
In Religious Education (RE), pupils explore the inspirational role of religious beliefs in caring for others, focusing on figures like Mother Teresa. They will learn about how religious teachings guide people in treating the world with care. Pupils also delve into Islamic teachings on treating individuals such as neighbours, parents, and families, alongside Christian lessons like the Good Samaritan's story, promoting empathy and kindness in their understanding of religious values.

PSHE

In PSHE, pupils reflect on their personal growth and learning experiences. They consider how their understanding of topics such as friendship, emotions, and healthy living has developed. Pupils also set targets for Year 3, focusing on areas they wish to improve or learn more about. This reflective process helps pupils understand their progress and plan for continued growth and well-being in the coming year.

ART AND DESIGN

In Year 2 Design and Technology (DT), pupils engage in a creative project centred around puppetry and storytelling. They design lolly stick and sock puppets, followed by making these puppets using materials and techniques learned in class. They rehearse and perform puppet shows, showcasing their design and construction skills while developing storytelling abilities and creativity.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION (PE)

In Year 2 Physical Education (PE), pupils engage in a variety of activities to develop their physical skills and fitness. They will practise jumping into a sandpit to improve coordination and agility. Pupils develop their throwing and catching skills, take part in races to enhance speed and endurance, and focus on various jumping techniques. Additionally, they prepare for Sports Day by training in field events such as the long jump and track events like sprints, fostering teamwork and sportsmanship.

MUSIC

Reflect, Rewind and Replay ” consolidates the year's music learning journey, focusing on revisiting songs, and musical activities, and exploring music history and language. Children will listen and appraise classical music, refine vocal and instrumental skills, improvise, compose, and share performances. They will analyse different classical pieces, reinforcing musical foundations through singing and instrumental play.

COMPUTING (ICT)

Pupils will cover skills in online searching, web navigation, browsers, and search engines. They'll also learn basic search techniques using the Purple Mash platform, gaining confidence in inputting queries and interpreting results. Additionally, they will explore art using the Purple Mash tool 2Paint, engaging in activities that deepen their understanding of digital art.