

Year Two Curriculum – Summer Term 2024

English – We will continue with weekly phonics activities and differentiated spellings to be learned, based on the sound of the week. We will have ongoing reading, comprehension and handwriting activities each week as well as grammar tasks. In our Guided Reading lessons this term, we will read the story, *The Hodgeheg* by Dick King Smith. Our creative writing this term will be linked to this, as well as our humanities topics, Influential People and Kenya.

Maths – We will continue to develop and reinforce our knowledge of the 2, 5 and 10 times tables and their corresponding inverse division facts, developing confidence and speed of recall. We will continue to practise mental maths skills and mathematical reasoning as well as addition and subtraction strategies. The children will gain more experience of problem solving and we will also work with fractions, time, data handling and position and direction.

Humanities – We will be learning about many significant historical individuals, as part of our Influential People topic, including Florence Nightingale, Mary Anning, The Wright Brothers and Rosa Parkes. We will also be locating continents on a map and we will be using the continent of Africa as our case study to look at the main physical and human features of Kenya. We will compare and contrast the climate, landscape and culture of Kenya with the United Kingdom as well as learn about the day-to-day life of a child in Kenya.

Science – We will focus this term on Plants and Animals in the Local Environment. This will include identifying the plants and animals that live within the school grounds. We will be comparing these to creatures found in different habitats. The children will consolidate their knowledge of the function of each part of a plant and what plants need to grow well. We will also look at life cycles and simple food chains.

RE - We will learn about places that are sacred to believers and focus on the 'good news' that Christians believe Jesus brings.

French – The children will extend their number knowledge, learning to count to one hundred. The final weeks of the term will be spent revising topics from the whole year so that the children can begin to

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construct sentences using their number, colour, weather, animal and food knowledge. They will demonstrate this through written work.

ADT – This term we will produce work inspired by minibeasts. We will then look at African art for inspiration.

Music – We will look at the different properties of percussion instruments: wood, metal and skin, and will explore how these are used to create musical effects. We will study more complex forms of graphic score and will experiment with creating our own. The children will also continue learning the recorder, preparing material for performance in the Pre-Prep Summer Show.

PSHE – This term PSHE lessons will initially focus on our bodies, and children will learn about keeping themselves clean and healthy. Later, lessons will be about how our bodies change as we grow, the differences between boys and girls, consent and boundaries, and include discussions about gender stereotypes.

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