

Class 2 Spring 1 Newsletter

Welcome to the third class newsletter of the school year! We have lots of exciting things to look forward to this term. As you know, Class 2 are now working together across the curriculum as Mrs Whisker is now working with Class 3. If your child was receiving extra support, please be reassured that this will continue.

English



Our book this half-term is the wonderful *James and the Giant Peach* by Roald Dahl and much of our writing will be based upon this text. We will also be reading non-fiction texts linked to our general topic of explorers.

Y1 will continue to develop their phonic knowledge and Y2 will extend their spelling to include more complex prefixes and suffixes. We will all continue to improve and extend our range of punctuation.

Maths



Both Y1 and Y2 will continue to reinforce their place value knowledge, computation skills and problem-solving skills. There will be a continued emphasis upon learning number bonds and times tables [Y2] by heart. We will also be working with fractions of both shapes and numbers.

Science



Miss Jewett will be teaching Science again this half-term and the children will investigate materials and their properties, which will include lots of exciting practical investigations!

Art



In Art we will be doing observational drawings of spring flowers and we will also be using printing as a technique to create images of space, using Van Gogh's work as our inspiration.

R. E.



Again, Miss Jewett will be teaching R.E. and the children will be exploring what it means to belong in Christianity.

Music



This half-term the children will be taught by Mrs Coulls. There will be a focus upon pitch, volume and rhythm and the children will learn lots of fun new songs!

I.C.T.



Mrs Mowbray will continue to teach ICT. The children will continue to learn how we create, store and retrieve data. They will also participate in activities linked to Safer Internet Day.

P.E.



Our P.E. days are now Wednesdays and Thursdays. Miss Jewett will teach P.E. on a Wednesday and I will teach it on a Thursday. Miss Hardie will support both sessions. We will be exploring games and gymnastics. *Please ensure that your child has his/her P.E. kit on the allocated days.*

P.H.S.C.E.



In P.H.S.C.E. we will be exploring friendship and how we should behave towards each other. We will also practise our speaking and listening skills during Circle Time.

Spanish



In Spanish we will continue to develop our knowledge of greetings and basic phrases which we will practise across the curriculum whenever possible.

History



We will be looking at the lives of famous explorers in the past, beginning with space explorers such as Neil Armstrong. Our role-play area, which the children will help to design, will be based upon this theme.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support and to ask you to contact me if you have any questions, suggestions or concerns.

Miss T.Forth