

# Half Term Curriculum Overview



Year 2 - Autumn 1 - 2017

## Literacy

### Phonics

- Year 2 will have 30 minutes of RWInc spellings and reading each morning.

### Talk for Writing

- We are starting a new writing process across the school called 'Talk for Writing'. It's a story-telling process which helps children build a bank of narrative patterns they can use when creating their own stories. The children will have 1 hour of writing each day. This half term, Year 2 will read 'The Magic Porridge Pot' and 'Mister Magnolia' by Quentin Blake.

## PSHE / RE

### PSHE

- Year 2 will be learning about their environment; considering the wider community and democracy; and discussing rights/responsibilities.

### RE

- Year 2's theme is 'Special Places'. They will be looking at, and learning about, sacred buildings for a number of different religions.

## How to Support Your Child at Home

- Please read with your child EVERY DAY for at least 5-10 mins. Encourage him/her to point to each word and sound out any phonetic words he/she is unsure of. Spend time discussing each story's content too - the events, characters and setting.

## Science, History, Geography, Art & Design, D&T and Computing

### Science

- Year 2 will be learning about everyday materials.

### Topic

- This half term's theme is MUCK, MESS AND MIXTURES! We will be focusing on Art and Design, Design and Technology and Writing.
- Year 2 will be creating multi-coloured prints using techniques such as marbling; learning about different artists such as Andy Warhol and Carl Warner; and designing/making their own clay tile.
- Year 2 will be putting on an art exhibition for parents/carers during the last week of half term!

### Computing

- Year 2 will be completing simple computer programs using Purple Mash and using them to consolidate their learning in the other curriculum areas.

## Mathematics

### Maths

- Year 2 have started a new Maths scheme called 'Rising Stars'.
- Year 2 will be comparing and ordering 2-digit numbers; partitioning numbers in different ways; ordering lengths; using number bonds and fact families to solve addition and subtraction problems to 20; adding and subtracting ones; adding three single-digit numbers; adding and subtracting tens; and exploring patterns and properties of 2-D and 3-D shapes.

## Physical Education

- Year 2 will have specialist PE tuition this term for half their PE allocation.
- The children will be learning about ball skills and coordination.
- They will learn to pass and dribble; throw over/under arm; and learn the correct chest pass technique.

## Homework

- Learning Log:** The children have brought home their first Learning Log about their half term 'Muck, Mess and Mixtures' topic. The children can complete as many activities as they like. Please return all homework in wc 16.10.17.
- Reading:** Year 2 will be bringing home 2 reading books each week. They will be allocated a day of the week and will be heard to read and have their books changed on this day.