Reading



We will be reading Mr Penguin and The Lost Treasure by Alex T.Smith in VIPERS. We will be learning new vocabulary, using inference to answer questions, making predictions, explaining our ideas, retrieving information and sequencing events.

Writing



We will be using The Dragon Machine by Helen Ward to inspire our writing. Y2 children will be writing 'A Guide to Spotting Dragons' and a Dragon Encyclopaedia.

Maths



Our next unit is length and height. Y2 pupils will be learning how to measure in centimetres and metres. They will then learn how to compare and order length and height.

Y2 will also be learning about mass, capacity and temperature. Pupils will learn how to measure in grams, kilograms, millilitres and litres,

Art



In our Art lessons, children will learn and develop their skills in: design, drawing, craft, painting and art appreciation; replicating the recognisable crockery of Clarice Cliff, exploring tone through shading, developing their skills in weaving and the manipulation of clay, experimenting with brush strokes.

<u>Science</u>



In Science, we will continue to explore a range of materials through investigations and explorations. We will be working on ways to test materials for elasticity and flexibility

History



This half term, children will learn about life and times in Britain during the period of the First World War, both at home and overseas. This enquiry endeavours to place the First World War in the context of how people and particularly children commonly lived their lives 100 years ago.

RE



In RE, we will be learning about community and belonging. We will be asking the question: Does going to the Mosque give Muslims a sense of belonging?

PSHE



In PSHE, we will be learning about keeping and staying healthy. We will discuss the importance of brushing our teeth.

We will then be learning about our world and how and why we use money in the UK and in other countries.

PE



On Tuesdays we will be gearing up for our sports day event; we will be practising our sprinting, developing jumping for height, developing throwing for distance and throwing for accuracy.

On Wednesdays we will have dance lessons in the hall.

Music

In Music, pupils will learn about the music of the British Isles and will be creating music of their own. Children will have the opportunity to compose a piece of music as part of a group, they will then evaluate and improve a group composition.

<u>Computing</u>

In Computing, Y2 will explore how music can make them think and feel. They will make patterns and use those patterns to make music with both percussion instruments and digital tools. They will also create different rhythms and tunes, using the movement of animals for inspiration. Finally, learners will share their creations and compare creating music digitally and non-digitally.

Other Information

Our residential trip to Whirlow Farm is fast approaching. There will be a parent meeting on **Monday 22nd May at 5pm.**

Y2 SATs will take place during May.

Home Learning Suggestions

Here are some learning activities related to our different lessons that you can do with your children at home to support their learning in school.

 Reading Read at least three times a week and record in your reading diary. We love hearing about your recommended readsyou could write and share a book review for a text you think your friends would enjoy. 	 Writing Practise your spellings. You can play spelling games on Spelling Shed. We love reading your creative writing- why not write a story, poem or fact file to share? Create a fact file about Astronauts. 	 Maths Play games on Hit the Button (please refer to the ones outlined in the mental maths sheet sent out last week). Times tables are a key skill. Practise chanting or writing your times table facts. Play on TT Rockstars to improve your speedy recall. Practise doubling and halving numbers to 20.
 Art We love to see how creative you can be. Can you sketch at home and have a go at shading your artwork? 	 Science Can you find natural and manmade everyday objects at home and put them into the correct category? You could take a photo as evidence. 	 History Can you find out all about how animals were used to help during the First World War?
 RE Can you draw a picture of the special things that give you a sense of belonging? Here are some ideas: family, school, football club or dance school. 	 PSHE All around the world different countries use different types of money. Can you find out about the different types of money that people use all around the world? 	 PE We love to hear about how active you are out of school. Keep sharing your enjoyment and achievements from out of school sports. What sort of exercises do you do at sports clubs or at home that improve your speed and stamina? Can you share with the class?
 Music While listening to your favourite song, can you add your own body percussion such as tapping your foot or clicking your fingers. 	ComputingWhy not compose your own piece of music using Chrome Music Lab.	Other Information