Reading



We will continue 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 Cave by Rob Hodgson to inspire our writing. Y2 children will be using expanded noun phrases to write interesting character descriptions. We will then be using books by Oliver Jeffers to inspire our final pieces of writing in Y2.

Maths



Our next unit is position and direction. Y2 pupils will describe the position of objects using left and right. Y2 children will then be learning about quarter, half, three-quarter and full turns as well as learning about clockwise and anticlockwise.

Y2 will then spend some time consolidating their maths learning from this academic year.

Art



In our Art lessons, children will learn and develop their skills in: manipulation of clay, experimenting with different techniques to cut, shape and design clay pots and tiles.

We will then take a look at varying materials and print, including felt and weaving skills.

Science



Our next Science unit is 'Ready, Steady, Grow!'. Pupils will be exploring the world of seeds and learning about how and why plants disperse their seeds.

Pupils will also be learning about farming and food chains at Whirlow Farm.

Geography



This half term, children will be asking 'How does the geography of Kampong Ayer compare with the geography of where I live?' Children will make comparisons between their lives and those of people in a small diverse community in the country of Brunei on the tropical island of Borneo in southeast Asia.

RE



In RE, we will be continuing to learn about Islam and explore Hajj. We will discuss what Hajj is and why it is important to Muslims and by the end we will be able to debate and answer our key question 'Does completing Hajj make a person a better Muslim?'

PSHE



In PSHE, we will be learning about our world and how and why we use money in the UK. We will discuss different ways of obtaining money and also look at money and currencies 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 Myths and Legends and will be storytelling through the music they create. 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.

Computing

In Computing, Y2 will be programming quizzes. Pupils will begin to understand that sequences of commands have an outcome, and make predictions based on their learning. They will use and modify designs to create their own quiz questions in Scratch Junior.

Other Information

Our exciting residential trip to Whirlow Farm will be happening this half term. Please consult your packs from Mrs Trotter for personalised information.

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? This half term, the children will be learning who will be their new teacher in September. Why not write a letter to your new teacher? 	 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 Have you been growing anything at home that you would like to share with your friends in school? Write a seed diary and take photos. 	 Geography Use your new research skills to learn about a new place, maybe this could be somewhere that you may be visiting in the Summer holidays.
 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 these with the class?
 Music Whilst listening to your favourite song, can you add your own body percussion such as tapping your foot or clicking your fingers? 	 Computing Scratch Junior is now available as a free app. https://www.scratchjr.org/ 	Other Information