

Year 2 Spring Overview

Introduction

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Homework

Each week we are going to send one piece of either Maths or English homework as well as a list of different spellings rules to practice. We would also encourage children to practice on Spelling Shed and Times Table Rockstars.

Things to look forward to

- Moving mechanisms
- Discovering different explorers
- Hanningfield Reservoir
- Class Assembly

Art Day

During the first week back to school we are going to have an Art Day. The theme for this year is to create art pieces based on illustrations from a book.

Our Topic for the the Spring Term is **Explorers**.

English

- The Power of Reading - Man on the Moon: narrative writing, character descriptions and setting descriptions
- The Power of Reading - The Snail and the Whale
- The Power of Reading - The Day the Crayons Quit
- Mastery Presentations



Maths

- Money - counting pence, pounds and notes, making the same amount, comparing money and calculating money
- Multiplication and Division - creating equal groups, multiplication sentences, sharing groups and arrays
- Length and Height - measure in centimeters and meters and comparing lengths
- Mass, Capacity and Temperature



History

Learning about famous explorers:

- Neil Armstrong
- Christopher Columbus
- Amelia Earhart
- Robert Falcon Scott
- Bear Grylls
- Create explorer leaflets (computing)



Computing

- IT in school and around the world
- The benefits of IT and using it safely
- Using technology purposefully
- Internet Safety - online reputation



R.E

- What is a Prophet?
- How do we know Muhammad was the last Prophet?
- Why is Jesus important?
- Why might Sikhs believe Guru Nanak is special?



Music

Charanga:

- Playing instruments with a song
- Improvise and compose with a song
- Sing the song
- 'Explorer' songs
- Perform and play a piece



Art and DT

- Exploring different artists such as Julian Opie, Damian Hirst, Edwina Bridgeman
- Moving mechanisms - pivots, levers and linkages, designing making and evaluating a moving spaceship



Science

Uses of everyday materials:

- What are materials?
- Materials out and about
- Properties of materials

Plants:

- Growing different plants and vegetables
- Growing cress under different conditions
- Investigate and carry out a fair test
- Understanding what conditions a plant needs to grow healthy



P.E

Get Set 4 PE:

- Gymnastics
- Target Games
- Dance - Samba
- Team building



PSHE

- SCARF - Being my best

French

- Colours and numbers