

Year 2 Curriculum Overview

Our School Now and Then

English

In English lessons this term, we will be reading the story of 'Superworm' by Julia Donaldson. We will be making predictions through role-play and sequencing the main events from the story, as well as using it as a stimulus for learning about nouns and verbs and how these are used to create simple sentences. We will learn how to use conjunctions to make our sentences longer, and practise using capital letters for different purposes. Once we have identified the sections of the story and had an opportunity to orally retell it, we will use it to plan and write our own stories about another heroic creature that might live in our local environment. Later in the term, we will be looking at explanation texts in the form of life cycles. We will ask and answer our own questions using the information in the texts; sequence the important stages and explore the key features before writing our own.

Computing

As **technologists** we will be learning what makes a good photograph then using the learn pads to take some of our own. We will learn how to edit and enhance our photos then have an opportunity to present them to the class.

Mathematics

As **mathematicians**, we will be counting in steps of 2, 3, and 5 from 0, and in 10s from any number, forward and backward. We will practise recognising the place value of each digit in a two-digit number, and use this knowledge to compare and order numbers from 0 up to 100, as well as to read and write numbers in numerals and words. We will use concrete objects and pictorial representations to add and subtract a one digit or tens number to/from a two-digit number, then use our new skills to solve problems involving numbers, quantities and measures. We will begin to explore the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction as a route to checking our calculations.

Important Dates

Monday: Mrs Horton in school.

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Wednesday: Mrs Horton. PE - Games (outdoors)

Thursday: Mrs Wynn in school. Homework handed in, spelling test and library books changed (if needed).

Friday: Mrs Wynn in school. New homework and spellings set. PE – Gymnastics (indoors).

Homework

Please continue to hear your child read as often as you can, and make comments about how they are getting on in their red reading record book. It is important that your child understands and can talk about what they are reading, as well as decoding the words. Please see the homework each week for suggested questions.

Each week the children will be given some spellings to learn at home. They might like to put each word into a sentence, as well as learning how to spell it.

The children will also be asked to complete a 'Learning Journal' as part of their homework in which they will be asked to demonstrate their learning from English, mathematics or topic sessions that week. When it is clear that a child has put a lot of effort into their homework, they may receive an award during our Celebration Assembly.

Spellings and homework will be set on Fridays for completion by the following Thursday, when spellings will also be tested.

Useful Websites:

English, mathematics and science activities:

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/

Handwriting practice:

www.letterjoin.co.uk (username: kings password: cliffe)

Science:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/science/plants_and_animals/play/

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/science/living_things/play/

If you have any questions or comments, please speak to us in the playground on Thursday mornings or the end of each school day. Alternatively, you can write a note in the reading diary. If you wish to discuss an issue in more depth, please do not hesitate to make an appointment via the office.

Mrs Horton, Mrs Wynn and Mrs Smith

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