

Year 2 Autumn Term 26-27

English

Spellings: This year, spelling moves to a continuous teaching and assessment approach through 3 sessions per week with no formal spelling test on a Friday. Children will continue to bring home their spelling books each week for you to review. We begin by recapping Phase 5 phonics and the Year 1 spelling rules from the summer term before beginning the Year 2 spelling curriculum. Please support your children with spelling number words.

Reading: Please make sure your child is reading a minimum of **3 times a week at home** and recording this in their reading record.

Writing: We will write our own stories based on the books "Frog and the Stranger" and "Last Stop on Market Street", a recount of our trip to Braintree Museum, compose list poems and draft letters inspired by the book "Dragon Post."

Mathematics

This term, we will be counting within 100, understanding the composition of numbers to 100 and adding and subtracting within 100 over multiples of ten. We will learning to count in steps of 2, 3, 5 and 10 in preparation for learning those times tables in the spring term. We will also recap time vocabulary about the days of the week and months, and will practice telling o'clock, quarter past, to and half past times on analogue clocks.

Weekly homework is set on Mathletics. Please make sure your child is completing these tasks.

PSHE

In PSHE we will continue to develop our understanding of how we can use the Zones of Regulation model to understand our emotions and find strategies to feel differently in different contexts. We will also launch the CARE values the school has adopted.

RE

In RE, we will consider why people of different religions give thanks and explore festivals celebrated in autumn.

Science

We will be studying the habitats and microhabitats of living things and considering how the conditions in different environments meet the needs of the creatures who live there.

History

We will learn about how schools have changed in the UK since 1900, and explore the history of primary schools in Sawston. We will visit a Victorian classroom at Braintree Museum on Tuesday 29th September.

Geography

We will learn about the hot and cold places of the earth, locate them on maps and use thermometers to measure temperature. We will be joined by a visitor from the Antarctic Survey in Autumn 2.

P.E.

Indoor (Tuesdays); outdoor (Thursdays).

We will be learning about the fundamentals of keeping fit and how to work effectively in teams.

Please make sure children are wearing the correct PE uniform.

Music

Inspired by the calls of the animal kingdom, we will develop rhythm and pulse through chanting, call-and-response sound patterns and performing with untuned percussion instruments.

Computing

Children will learn to make artwork and digital music using Purple Mash's creative tools, and will learn about the basic functions of a spreadsheet. Log-ins are provided for further exploration at home.

Art + DT

In Art, we will explore how to create tone and texture using different drawing materials and surfaces, and use our skills to make a flat piece of artwork look three-dimensional. In D&T we will explore levers and create work with moving parts.

HOMEWORK

Please make sure ALL children are completing the following tasks:

- Mathletics
- Reading (minimum of 3 times a week and recorded in reading record)

If children would like to further their learning at home on any of the topics covered, they are welcome to bring these in to share but there is no expectation to complete projects. **It is essential that all children keep up with the tasks above to support their learning. Please support your children to complete these every week. Thank you.**