

GENERAL

As the weather gets colder, it is important that your children are dressed appropriately for school. Please bring a warm coat, a hat and gloves. If your child wishes to bring wellies into school, please make sure they bring a spare pair of shoes for the classroom.

MATHS - We will be working on column addition and subtraction strategies. We will be asking the children to exchange and rename their ten to help them add two 2 digit numbers (eg $38 + 27 =$) and be able to subtract two 2 digit numbers as well. We will look at reading scales.

COMPUTING - We will be developing our understanding of coding. We will use the Purple Mash website to look at different ways to code. We will be looking at how spreadsheets allows us to display information.

HISTORY - We will be learning about the Great Fire of London. We will be ordering the events of the Great Fire and thinking about what changes were made to London after the fire had happened.

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY - We will be looking at structures and designing and making a chair for Baby Bear. We will be looking at how we could strengthen paper by using folds to make it more rigid to take a weight.

SCIENCE - We will be looking at the different uses of materials and asking why we have used that material to make an object.

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Year 2

JIGSAW - PSHE

We are looking at the differences between girls and boys. We will be looking at the assumptions people make about boys and girls, for example what they play with or what they might like to do. We will be talking about bullying and what we can do to help ourselves if we face that situation and how to look after ourselves.

ENGLISH - We will be studying the book *The Queen's Hat* by Steve Anthony. The book takes us on a tour of London. We will be using this text to teach writing and asking the children to come up with their own story based on the book.

RE- We will be continuing to look at how our moral choices can shape our lives. We will also look at various celebrations such as Poppy Day, Bonfire Night, Christmas and Christingle.

HOMEWORK

Reading and phonics is a key focus for children in Year 2 and we would appreciate it if you could read once a day with your child and record this in their reading diary. Your child will earn 1 Dojo for every day they read at home.

We are focussing on reading with fluency and understanding. Please could you send your child with their reading diary everyday so that we can record what your child has read and tips to help your child improve their reading.

We will also send some practice Maths arithmetic sheets to help your child recall maths facts quickly.

PE - We will be learning about expressive dance and taking part in athletic activities. They will learn how to jump, throw accurately and different running techniques. **Please continue to ensure your child wears their PE kit every Monday and Wednesday.**

MUSIC - The children will be listening to *Carnival of the Animals*. They will listen to how the music changes our emotions by using loud and quiet passages. They will learn about speed and tempo of music. They will clap and play instruments to the speed of the music. They will listen to the rhythm of the music and copy and invent their own rhythms .