



Year 2 Curriculum Overview

Autumn Term



Maths

Year 2 will work on the Place Value of numbers to 100. They will estimate, order and compare numbers to 100. Children will develop their ability to count in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s. In addition and subtraction they will add and subtract two digit numbers while in Shape children will recognise 2D and 3D shapes and use a line of symmetry to complete a shape

Literacy

Year 2 will begin with the topic 'The Place Value of Punctuation' through which they will develop their understanding of the construction of sentences. They will then create their own list poems. In Autumn 2 children will write their own instructions based on the text 'The Santa Trap'

Religious Education

Year 2 will start with the topic 'Beginnings' with a focus on God at every beginning. They will then develop their understanding of Baptism including the 'Signs and Symbols' During the Season of Advent the topic is 'Preparations' and how we prepare for Christmas.

Science

In Autumn 1 Year 2 will study 'Growth' they will notice that animals and humans have offspring which grow into adults. They will be able to describe the basic needs and animals including human and will understand the importance for humans of exercise, diet and hygiene.

History

Year 2 will answer the question 'What were the causes of the Great Fire of London and what changes did they bring about?' They will focus on life in London before and after 1666. In Autumn 2 they will study great change makers including Louis Braille, Emmeline Pankhurst, Rosa Parks and Malala Yousafzai.

Geography

The first Geography question is 'How does the location of Keswick affect the town?' Children will undertake a case study of Keswick and how it is similar or different to where we live. Year 2 will the answer 'How an we move between places near and far?' thinking about methods of transport including car, bus, ferry, train and plane.

Physical Education

In Autumn 1 children will develop their skills in Gymnastics. The focus will be on how movements can be linked together in a sequence. In Autumn 2 children will build upon the ball skills they have previously developed in Year 1 with a focus on accurate throwing and catching.

Music

Year 2 will build upon their previous knowledge of 'Pulse, Rhythm and Pitch' understanding that music has a pulse, a steady beat. They will recognise music is made up of long and short and high or low sounds called rhythm or pitch. In Autumn 2 the topic is 'Playing in an Orchestra' during which children will come to understand that playing together is an important part of music. They will find out about the ensembles, bands and groups you can play in.

Art

In Year 2 children will be drawing to tell a story. During this they will create textures, undertake observational drawings and look at character expressions. Children will then use these skills in imaginative illustrations to tell a story.

Design Technology

Year 2 will discover the importance of a balanced diet. They will look at the main food groups and identify foods that belong to each group. Children will think of three different wrap ideas taking into consideration flavour combinations. They will then construct a wrap which meets a given design brief.