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Dear parents/carers,

Year 2 Summer Term 2021 Curriculum Letter

Our Core Values

Happiness: we spread joy to those around us.

Compassion: we care and are kind to all.

Respect: we treat others as we like to be treated.

Teamwork: we work well with everyone.

Year 2 Staffing

Birch class teacher: Mr Martisius

Elder class teacher: Mrs Atkinson

Pine class teacher: Mr Law

Year 2 learning support assistants: Miss Dempsey, Miss Godbolt, Miss Perez

Communication

You can email class teachers directly on the class email accounts.

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Homework

Homework, along with answers, will be emailed/handed out to children/parents every Monday.

Summer Term Learning

This term in year 2 we will be learning the following in each subject area.

English

This term we will read 'The Papaya that spoke' by Pie Corbett and the traditional tale 'How the tortoise got his shell' and children will produce short stories based on these books. We will also cover instructional writing, persuasive writing and poetry.

Mathematics

Children will learn positional language and directional navigation, telling time, measuring mass, capacity and temperature as well as problem solving involving the four main calculations.

Science

We are really excited to spend the summer terms working through the 'Apprentice Gardener' unit. Children will be growing, caring and observing how plants grow. Learning everything a plant needs to grow healthy and strong.

History

During the first half summer term, children will learn about local Hero's. Exploring what it takes to be a hero and how their legacy has changed the world we live in.

Geography

During the second half of the summer term, children will learn about all about Europe. Focusing on France the children will look at language, culture, festivals, food and key figures.

Art and Design

Children will create sculpture, pop art and learn how to draw facial features to portray different emotions, all through the topic of comic superheroes and with inspired by the works of Roy Lichtenstein.

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Design and Technology

This unit brings together the children's knowledge of mechanisms and structures. They design and create their own Ferris wheels, considering how the different components fit together so that their wheels rotate and their structures stand freely. Pupils select appropriate materials and develop their cutting and joining skills to create a final product.

Physical Education

In indoor PE children will develop core strength through simple movements to improve throwing and catching skills.

In outdoor PE children will develop new skills and work out routines through active athletics and the fitness frenzy unit.

Music

Taking inspiration from the British Isles, children explore how to create sounds to represent three contrasting landscapes: seaside, countryside and city. Through images and discussion, they develop an idea of what each of these places would sound like and then use this to create their own soundscapes.

Religious Education

We are learning to understand why Muslims visit the mosque and to explore whether this gives them a sense of belonging as well as learning to understand what happens during Hajj and to explore the importance of this to Muslims. We will also look at and understand different ways that Jews show their commitment to God.

Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education

We will be learning about relationships and how to maintain them. Working out problems and issues and understanding how others emotions need to be taken into account. We will also be looking at how our bodies are changing as we grow.

Skillsbuilder Project



At the end of the summer term, children will work in groups and think about how they can transform a space for everyone to enjoy? Inspired by the world of interior design, they will create a model of their redesigned space, based on a chosen site in their school or community centre.

Please feel free to contact us via the class email accounts should you have any questions over the term ahead.

Yours faithfully

Mr Martisius, Mrs Atkison and Mr Law
Regards, the Year 2 Team