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Dear Year 2 parents/carers,

Year 2 Curriculum Letter - Autumn (2nd half)

Message from the teachers

The children have made a fantastic start to year 2 this half term.

Thank you to the parents/carers for attending the parents' evenings earlier this week. It was a great opportunity to share how much progress the children have made and their next steps with you.

This letter will briefly outline some of the lessons that year 2 will have fun exploring through the second half of the autumn term.

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

Elder class teacher: Miss Faghiri

Birch class teacher: Miss Wilcox

Year 2 learning support assistants: Mrs Childs and Mrs Warne

Communication

Please feel free to arrange a meeting should you wish to speak to one of the teachers in person. Alternatively, you can email class teachers directly on the class email accounts and we will do our best to get back to you within a couple of working days.

Elderclass@harefieldinfant.com

Birchclass@harefieldinfant.com

Homework

Each child will now receive a printed copy of the homework every Friday. Please return the homework to your class teacher the following Friday.

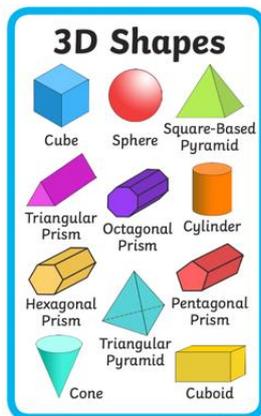
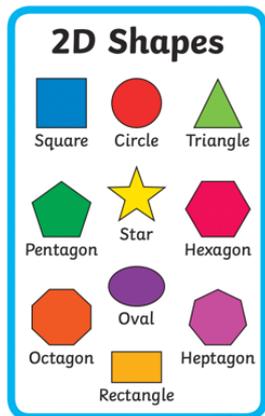
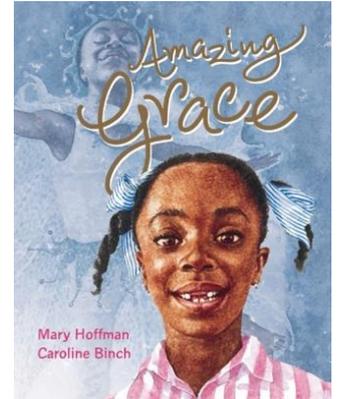
We use the 'Read Write Inc' approach to teaching early reading and phonics. Every Monday your child will be given a phonics or reading book linked to the sounds they have been learning in class to practice reading at home. Please return the book to school on Friday of the same week.

Autumn Term Learning

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

English

Year 2 will be reading 'Amazing Grace' by Mary Hoffman and use this to create their own wishing tales where they will create a character who has their own wishes to achieve. Later this half term, the children will be learning about instructions and create their own instructions to make a wish.



Mathematics

In maths this half term, Year 2 will continue to look at addition and subtraction. They will learn to add to the next 10, subtract from a 10, add and subtract 2-digit numbers and their number bonds to 100.

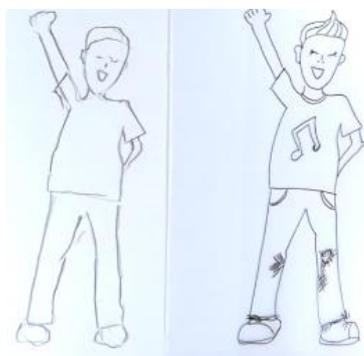
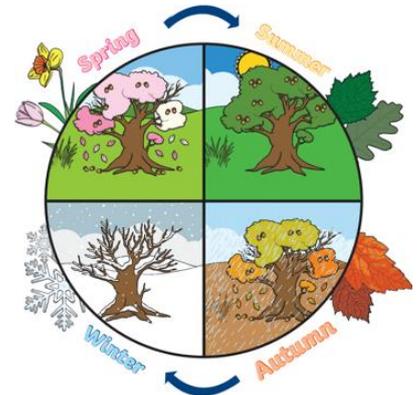
Later in the term they will move onto shapes. The children will learn to recognise 2D and 3D shapes, identify lines of symmetry and count vertices, faces and edges on a shape.

Science

Year 2 will be exploring how to stay fit and healthy in science this term. In this module the children will identify the different food groups, what is a healthy diet and how we can stay clean and healthy.

Geography

The Year 2 geography unit this term is called 'Seasons'. The children will learn to describe different types of weather using the four seasons and understand how and why there are changes in the weather. Following this, they will look at the weather across the country and observe how the weather may vary.



Art and Design

Drawing: Tell a story' is the name of the Art unit this term, where the children in year 2 Birch class will learn about using charcoal and other tactile media to experiment with texture. They will then move on to drawing toys and characters that can be used to tell a story through art.



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Physical Education

Outdoor P.E. will be taking place in Year 2 for both classes on Mondays. Birch class children will also have an Indoor PE lesson on Thursdays. Please ensure you send your child to school wearing their P.E. kits on these days. The outdoor P.E. unit this term is called 'Mighty Movers', where the children will learn to demonstrate running with balance and coordination. The indoor P.E. unit this term is called 'Boot-Camp' where the children will learn to compose and perform simple dance phrases with good timing, rhythm and control.

Forest School

Forest School will be taking place each Thursday afternoon for Elder Class this half term. The children will be given opportunities to learn in nature, building a range of skills and making observations of the changing seasons.

Religious Education

Year 2 will be learning about 'Light and Dark' in R.E. this term. Children will learn about the importance of light to many in Christianity, Hinduism and Judaism through learning about Advent, Christmas, Diwali and Hanukkah. Children will then go on to think about what light and darkness can represent and symbolise in each religion.

Music

Our specialist music teacher, Mr Lynch, will be in school every Tuesday to teach Year 2 music lessons, focusing on learning to play the Djembe drums.

Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education

Through the P.S.H.E unit 'Celebrating Difference' the children will discuss and accept everyone is different, continue to learn how they can stand up for themselves and others and reflect on how they can celebrate difference and continue friendships.

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

Yours faithfully,

Miss Faghiri and Miss Wilcox
Year 2 teachers