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Dear Year 2 parents/carers,

Year 2 Curriculum Letter – Summer (1st half)

Message from the teachers

Welcome back!

We hope that you have had a wonderful Easter break. This curriculum letter will outline the lesson topics for the next half 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 Warne and Mrs Childs

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 receives a printed copy of the homework every **Friday**. Please return the homework to your class teacher the following **Friday**. Spelling checks take place each Friday.

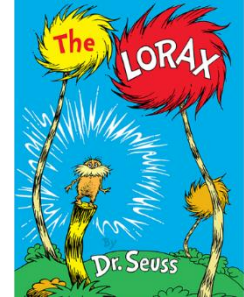
We use the 'Read Write Inc' approach to teaching early reading and phonics. Every **Monday** your child will be given a phonics or reading book linked to the sounds they have been learning in class to practice reading at home. Please return the book to school on **Friday** of the same week.

Summer Term Learning

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

English

Year 2 will be reading 'The Lorax' by Dr. Seuss. They will begin with writing a character flaw tale where every time their character does something wrong the lorax pops up. Following that the children will write an instruction text around 'The Lorax'.

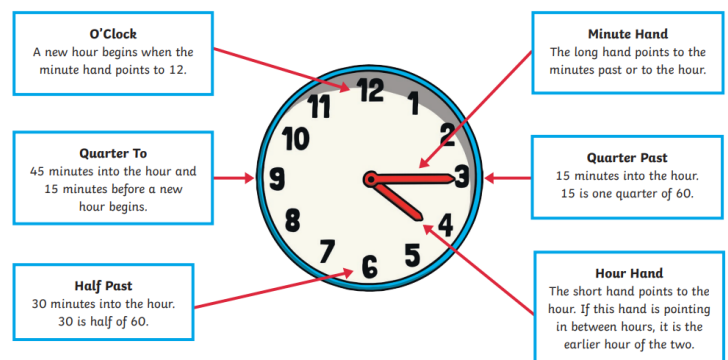


Mathematics

In Maths this term, Year 2 will look at Fractions. They begin by learning about parts and wholes, children explore equal and unequal parts. We will then move on to learning time. Children need to be able to tell the time accurately at o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to times so practising time telling regularly will be invaluable to their learning.

You can support your child at home by practising maths fluency; quick recall of number bonds to 10, 20 and 100, 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

Telling the Time



Science

Year 2 will be learning about plants and gardening in science this half term. We will be growing and observing a variety of plants and carrying out experiments.

History

The Year 2 History unit this term half is called 'Our Local Heroes' Year 2 will be looking at a range of local heroes, including Florence Nightingale, Roald Dahl and Alexander Fleming. We will be comparing the past and the present and looking at sources for information.

Art and Design

'Painting and mixed media: life in colour' is the name of the Art unit this half term, where children will develop knowledge of colour mixing. They will learn how texture can be created with paint. They will then move on to using paint to explore texture and pattern.



Physical Education

Outdoor P.E. will be taking place in Year 2 for both classes on **Mondays**. **Elder** 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 'Target Games', where they will do activities and games that require players to send an object towards a target. Children will be learning how to send the ball in different ways towards both stationary and moving targets, including rolling, underarm throwing, overarm throwing and kicking. The indoor P.E. unit this term is called 'Dance: Plants' where the children will explore movements based on working in the garden, different types of seeds and how plants grow.



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Forest School

Forest School will be taking place each **Thursday** afternoon for **Birch 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 'Ceremonies' in R.E. In this unit children will learn about what a ceremony is, understanding common features of religious and non-religious ceremonies. They will find out about what happens at an Aqiqah (Islam), a Bar and Bat Mitzvah (Judaism), a Dastar Bandi (Sikhism) and a Hindu wedding (Hinduism). Children will consider how people feel at these important ceremonies and will draw similarities and differences between them. They will use their knowledge and understanding about ceremonies to help them to work with others to plan their own ceremony.

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

In JIGSAW lessons this half term, children will be thinking about, "Relationships." This learning includes thinking about how to solve challenges and problems within 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