

Reading:

We will be reading a range of stories this half term to support our understanding of plot and character as well as making predictions and connections with other stories.

Class 2

Spring Term 1 Curriculum Newsletter

**Year 1 Phonics and Year 2 Spelling:**

Year 1 children will continue to follow the Floppy Phonics scheme. Our focused sounds for the week will be sent home as part of our home learning each Friday. Year 2 children will explore prefixes and suffixes and homophones looking at specific spelling rules to support their independent spellings.

Writing:

Our key text this half term is 'The Last Wolf'. The children will be exploring the hidden meaning of looking after our environment and protecting our wildlife. We will look at a range of punctuation, including question and exclamation marks and when to use these in our writing. The children will plan, write and edit their own stories based on the text.

**Maths:**

Our maths topic will continue to look at a range of strategies to add and subtract two digit numbers. Year 2 children will develop skills in exchange and use and apply strategies to solve worded problems. We will also be looking at ways to solve division and multiplication challenges recording our workings out using pictures and written calculations.

Humanities:

As part of our 'Great Scott!' unit, we will explore the differences and similarities between the North and South poles and where they are in relation to the UK. Children will also learn about the significance of Robert Falcon Scott the explorer and his great adventure.

Science:

The children will be exploring animal groups including humans. This sequence will look at what each animal group needs to survive linking with our previous topic on habitats, the children will look at specific diets of animal groups and their place on the food chain.

RE:

Our unit this half term is 'Who is a Muslim and how do they live?' Children will hear stories about the Prophet, learn about the 5 pillars of Islam, and the importance of prayer.

Art:

This half term the children will be exploring the artist Henri Matisse. We will be finding out about the artist, exploring his work as well as practicing and developing skills to help us recreate some of his famous art pieces.

Computing:

This half term, we will focus on Online safety. This unit covers safety when searching/emailing and our digital footprint.

PSHE:

Our jigsaw focus this half term is 'Dreams and Goals.' Children will celebrate their own successes and share ideas on how to overcome obstacles.

Music:

As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song, 'I Wanna Play in a band,' children will listen and appraise other classic rock songs.

PE:

This half term we will be looking at exploring Irish dance. The children will be learning and practicing individual steps before sequencing these steps together to participate in a Ceili (Irish Dance) called The Waves of Torie.