

Year Two Termly Newsletter

Autumn Term 2018



We are going to be Time Travellers
Our topics this term are 'Village Trail' and 'City Links'

English

We are going to be listening to and reading stories based on familiar settings. We will be researching people and events from history and writing recounts and non-chronological reports. In spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPAG) lessons we will learn the meaning and use of vocabulary such as noun, adjective, adverb and suffix. There will be regular phonics lessons, cursive handwriting and guided reading sessions.



Activities to help your child at home:

- Read regularly at home, little and often is best.
- When sharing stories, encourage discussion, including prediction and describe characters and settings.
- When practising spellings encourage look, cover, write, check.
- When writing form letters starting on the line using cursive letters.

Mathematics

We will be counting, ordering and comparing numbers to 100. We will count in steps of 2, 3 and 5 starting from 0 and in 10s from any number forward and backward. We will use knowledge of addition and subtraction facts to 20 in order to derive and use related facts up to 100. The inverse relationship between addition and subtraction will be explored and used to check calculations and solve missing number problems. We will choose and use appropriate standard units to estimate and measure. Simple graphs will be interpreted and constructed. Multiplication and division facts will be learned for the 2 times tables and will be applied to problem solving.

Activities to help your child at home:

- Learn the 2 times table and corresponding division facts.
- Tell the time to half and quarter hour.



Creative Curriculum

- We start the Autumn term learning about famous people and events from the past including: Lord Leverhulme, Guy Fawkes and the Great Fire of London.
- As part of studying our local area in geography we will look more closely at Port Sunlight, which will include a visit to the village. Later on we will discover London and its famous landmarks.
- In Science we will be learning about the life cycle of animals and the uses of everyday materials.
- The children will learn about Hinduism in RE lessons including the festival of Diwali, and then later on in the term the Jewish festival of Hannuka, followed by the story of Christmas.
- In Music long and short sounds will be explored through use of the voice, hands and percussion instruments.
- Each of our creative topics includes elements of Art and ICT to enhance learning and develop these skills.
- Throughout the term we will be enjoying PE twice a week.
- Basic computer skills will be learned including typing, editing and multimedia.



Additional Information

- Year two children will be visiting Port Sunlight Museum and Lady Lever Art Gallery.
- Homework will include spelling, reading and times tables.
- Earrings should not be worn in PE and should be removed at home. If ears have been recently pierced please provide tape to cover them.
- Please ensure children bring in their book bags daily.



