



Summer Term 2026 – Year Two

English

This half term we are basing our work on the story of Aladdin. We will be looking at setting descriptions using good vocabulary to describe. We will also be having a big focus on using a variety of vocabulary in our writing. The children will be reading the text and offering their own opinions about the text and the characters within the text. They will be thinking about the characters' feelings and thoughts and completing short writing opportunities based around it. The children will take on the role of one of the characters to write diary entries and events from that character's view. They will then look at a poem based on the text and write a poem of their own using what they have learned. Throughout the unit of work, we will have a big focus on vocabulary, tenses and using conjunctions correctly.

The children will continue to work on their presentation and the use of punctuation throughout all of their work. Every day the children are still focusing on spellings to ensure they build up the words they can spell accurately. We will be continuing to base our handwriting on the year two common exception words.

During guided reading sessions the children will be exposed to many different text types linked to other areas of the curriculum and will answer questions based on them. As reading is still a focus for us, it is important to read extra at home as much as possible. Reading enables your child to broaden their vocabulary and become fluent, whilst also understanding what they are reading so that they can discuss the text in detail.

Maths

In Maths this half term we will be starting off with a focus on time. The children will develop their time skills further by looking at telling the time to the nearest 5 minutes, solving time problems, and looking at clockwise and anticlockwise. The next topic will be focused on shape. The children will sort shapes according to their properties and have another look at symmetry in 2d shapes. They will also focus on sorting 2d and 3d shapes accordingly, before looking at patterns or sequences with shapes. They will then build on what they already know about addition and subtraction and embed their written methods further for a variety of arithmetic and reasoning questions. After this they will look at multiplication and division and will explore arrays, word problems and consolidate their written methods. Graphs and data will be the next topic they will learn about. They will look at tables, pictograms and bar graphs. They will have lots of opportunities to solve data type questions. Measurement will be the final topic of the year looking at solving measurement type questions. The children will then have time at the end of the year to complete a variety of reasoning type questions based on the full range of Maths we have covered throughout the year. Times tables continue to be a big focus and we will be looking at the 2, 5 and 10 times tables, trying to learn them by heart and recall them rapidly, including using inverse operation.

Further curriculum subjects & Topic

In our Science work this half term we will be learning about Living things and habitats. We will look at the difference between living and non-living things and discuss what makes things living and non-living. The children will describe habitats and micro habitats minibeasts/animals live in. They will have hands-on experience around the school grounds looking at a variety of habitats and minibeasts. RE will be focused on the religion 'Judaism'. The children will learn about special celebrations people in the Jewish religion celebrate. They will focus on stories based around Hannukah and Sukkot. PSHE is continuing to focus on Health and well being. The children will look at how to deal with grief, loss and bereavement. They will also have a look at the human life cycle and learn about how our bodies change as they grow.

Our IT work is based around Digital photography. The children will learn about lighting, effects and other elements to take good photographs in a range of situations.

Class reminders

PE this half term is taught on Monday and Thursday.

Homework and spellings are given out on a Friday and need to be completed each week. Spellings will be tested on a Monday each week.

