

Geography

Our topic this half term is 'Continents and Oceans'. We will be learning the world's seven continents and five oceans. We will also understand geographical similarities and differences across the world.



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LITERACY



This half term, will be focusing on key skills in Year 2 which will be using correct punctuation, for example capital letters and full stops throughout our writing. We will also be focusing on using powerful adjectives and time adverbials to make our writing really interesting. We will look at the story of 'The Storm Whale, which links with our Geography topic and will create some poetry on the story of 'Amazing Grace'. This will link with Black History Month.

PE:

Dodging and body parts

In PE this half term, we will look at how to Move: to dodge effectively we bend our knees, plant one foot on the floor, lean to one side and move the other way. Move: dodging effectively to avoid defenders requires you to have your head up to look for space.



MATHS

Place Value, addition and subtraction



This half term we will start to look at how numbers are represented in different ways. We will use different resources, for example, Dienes and Numicon to create numbers and see different patterns. We will also learn how to start partitioning numbers into tens and ones and then will start to use this knowledge to add and subtract.

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Key Vocabulary

Fire, London, living, dead, alive, portraits, symbols, signs, partitioning, tens, ones, poetry,

Useful Websites:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z69k7ty/articles/zyk8pbk>

<https://www.fireoflondon.org.uk/game/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z68>



MUSIC



This term we will build on previous knowledge and understand of the interrelated dimensions of music (Warm-up activities, Learn to Sing the Song, vocal warm ups, Play Instruments, compose, improvise & perform with the Song Hands, Feet, Heart). Notes to play C and D. We will also be preparing for Barnet Music Festival.



Science



Our Science Unit: *Living Things and Their Habitats*

The children will be learning about what it means to be alive and the key factors needed to keep ourselves and other living things healthy. They will also explore the differences between things that are alive, things that were once alive but are now dead, and things that have never been alive.

DT

Puppets

In this unit, we will be designing and creating our own hand puppets using a variety of joining skills including sewing.

Computing

Computing systems and networks - IT all around us

RE

*Reality - This unit explores **faith, miracles, mysteries, and belief** across religions and worldviews. Children investigate vocabulary, reflect on unseen or unexplainable concepts, and learn stories from Christianity and other traditions.*



Spanish

This half term we will learn how to say how we feel, describe the weather, colours and greetings.
Music 'Day of the Dead'



PSHE

Being Me in My World



Through this topic we will be learning to explain why our behaviour can impact on other people in our class. We will look at different way to help us to manage and understand our feelings and behaviour.

Welcome back!

We hope you had a restful summer break and are ready for an exciting half-term ahead.

Key Reminders

PE Days

Children should come to school in their PE kits on Mondays and Fridays.

Homework

Homework will be given out every **Friday** and should be returned by the following **Wednesday**.

Tasks will include spelling practice, comprehension, maths activities, and regular reading.

Library Books

Each child can borrow one book per week from the class library. Please ensure books are returned on time so that all children can enjoy our fantastic library. Unfortunately, new books cannot be issued while a previous book is still at home.

Reading Journals

Every child has a home–school reading journal and reading book. These should be kept in book bags every day and treated with care. Please try to read with your child daily and sign the journal to record this.

We're looking forward to a productive and enjoyable half-term. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak to us. Thank you,

Mrs Mandalia and Mrs Islam



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