

YEAR 2 NEWS

Campsbourne School Termly Newsletter

Spring 1 - 2018

Welcome to Spring Term 1

Year 2, welcome back to Campsbourne!

We hope you had a fabulous and relaxing Christmas holiday and that your children are all ready for a term full of fun and challenge!

Adults working in Year 2

Class Teachers

Seurat - Miss Natasha Ferguson

O'Keeffe - Mrs Jenny Vincent

Support Staff

Fumi Pedro and Debbie Hembra

Trips

We will be visiting a local place of worship as part of our Religious Education.

English

In literacy the children will be orally retelling, planning, writing and editing a **traditional story**. We will be thinking about setting descriptions. The children will also be writing a non-chronological report and learning the key features of this text type.



Maths

This half term we will be focusing on:

- Telling and writing the **time** to 5 minutes, quarter past and quarter to the hour.
- Recognising, finding, naming and writing simple **fractions** of objects and quantities; recognise equivalences between fractions.
- **Addition and subtraction** of 2-digit numbers. Solving problems involving numbers, quantities and measures.

Geography

In **geography**, our topic is 'Is it Really Round?'. We will be naming and locating the continents and oceans of the world. We will learn how a journey can be made around the world, as well as understand the location of hot and cold countries in relation to the equator.

Computing

In **computing**, the children will review photos online, practise using a digital camera, take photos to fit a given theme, edit their photos and then select their best images to include in a shared portfolio.



RE

This half term our topic is 'Why are Some Stories Special'. The children will be learning about the special books in Christianity, Judaism, Islam and Hinduism. They will also be thinking about how the special books give examples of how to live their lives.

PHSE

Our **PSHE** focus this half term is 'Working Together'. The children will be developing their collaborative skills when working a group, understanding the need to listen to other people and take turns. We will also focus on the skills needed to negotiate and sort out disagreements.

PE

PE will take place on

**Tuesdays and Wednesdays (O'Keeffe) and
Mondays and Wednesdays (Seurat).**

**Fundamentals - Building Dribbling,
throwing and catching Skills**

The children will:

- perform a range of dribbling, throw and catch skills with control.
- show a good awareness of others in games, making simple decisions about when and where to move to.
- watch and describe performances accurately.



Science

In **science** our topic is Our Living Earth. This term the children will be taught to:

- Identify and name a variety of common animals .
- Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.
- Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals .
- Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults.
- Find out about and describe that basic needs of animals, including humans.
- Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food and hygiene.

Art

This term we are focusing on different painting techniques.

We will be finding out about different artists and the variety of techniques, paints and tools that they use.

This half term we will be exploring colour mixing, using watercolours, the technique of pointillism (George Seurat) and painting flowers (Georgia O'Keeffe).

Music

Year 2 will be exploring 'Music of the Caribbean' starting with Bamboo Tamboo - the precursor to steel pans. They will be composing and playing complex rhythm sentences. They will start to accompany themselves with confidence .



Homework

Homework will be handed out each week on a **Friday**. We are focusing on handwriting, spelling and multiplication facts. Spelling challenge takes place on a Friday. Please encourage your child to practise their spellings daily. Guided reading and library books are changed weekly, please ensure your child brings their books back to school.

Please support your child by discussing the homework tasks with them and if you are unsure please do not hesitate to contact me.

