

YEAR 2 NEWS

Campbourne School Termly Newsletter

Autumn 1 - 2017

Welcome to Autumn Term 1

Welcome to Year 2! It has been lovely getting to know all of the children over the past two weeks. They have settled really well into their new classes and are getting used to the new routines.

Adults working in Year 2

Class Teachers

Seurat - Miss Natasha Ferguson

O'Keeffe - Mrs Jenny Vincent

Support Staff

Fumi Pedro and Debbie Hembra

Trips and experiences

- **Fire Brigade visit: Fire safety talk on Wednesday 13th September.**
- **Artist workshops: Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th October.**

English

In English this half term the children will be learning about *journey stories* and *poetry*. They will be learning to orally retell each of the texts using story maps and actions.

The children will be thinking about the structure and language features of each of these types of texts. They will also be planning and writing their own journey stories and poetry.



Maths

In Maths, we will be learning about:

- Numbers within 100: Identifying how many tens and ones in a 2-digit number (place value); comparing and ordering numbers; and reading and spelling numbers written as words.
- Addition and subtraction of 2-digit numbers: Mental recall of addition and subtraction facts, number bonds and using objects and number lines to support calculating.
- Solving addition and subtraction word problems using mental and written strategies.

History

In **History** this term, we will find out about *Women who made a difference*. We will mainly be focusing on Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole and Edith Cavell during our history sessions but we will be introducing the children to many other significant women during our reading sessions and Black History Month. The children will be finding out how these women have contributed to national and international achievements.

Computing

Our **computing** topic has a programming focus this half term. The children will be learning to:

- Have a clear understanding of algorithms as sequences of instructions.
- Convert simple algorithms to programs.
- Predict what a simple program will do.
- Spot and fix (debug) errors in their programs.



Religious Education

During our Religious Education lessons, we will be considering our place in our family, school and wider community and the feelings and experiences associated to belonging to each of our families.

The children will be thinking about the people who are special to them and we will talk about different festivals that they celebrate with their families.

PE

PE takes place on Mondays (Seurat)/ Tuesdays (O'Keeffe) and Wednesdays (both classes). Please ensure children have their PE kit at school.

During PE the children will be developing their **Throwing and Catching Skills**. They will perform a range of throwing and catching skills with control; and choose and use tactics to suit different situations.



Science

Our Science topic this term is Changing Materials. The children will explore and investigate the properties of materials through a variety of exciting practical and hands on experiences.

They will identify and name materials, describe their properties and consider how some materials can be changed.

Art

Our art focus this term is Sculpture. This half term we are focusing on nature sculptures. We will be looking at work by the artist Andy Goldsworthy and the children will create their own sculptures in the same style.

We have an artist visiting us this half term, who will run workshops with the children on creating sculptures with natural materials.

