Year 2: Spring Term 2

Welcome to the second half of the Spring term. We hope that you all had a restful half term holiday.

English

We will be learning about **Non-Fiction Writing.** The children will be learning about the structure and language features of **non-chronological reports**. They will write their own non-chronological report, ensuring they include the key features, such as paragraphs and subheadings, detail and description, generalisers and conjunctions.

Maths

In Maths we will be learning about:

- Addition and Subtraction strategies (two-digit numbers, involving regrouping of tens).
- **Money** (recognising and using symbols (£, p); combining coins to make an amount of money; and addition and subtraction in the context of money).
- **Shape** (properties of 2-D and 3-D shapes; comparing and sorting common shapes; describing position and movement in mathematical language).

Science

Our Science topic for the spring term is **Everyday Materials.** The children will be finding out about how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

Geography

Our Geography topic this term is *What a Wonderful World: from the UK to Kenya*. This half term we will be focusing on the geographical features of the United Kingdom and then Kenya. We will be comparing and contrasting what it is like to live in these two countries.

PSHE

In PSHE, our topic is *Healthy and Safer Lifestyles – Digital Lifestyles*. The children will be learning about when they may use technology and the internet. They will also learn about how to keep themselves safe online and what to do if they are worried, frightened or sad about something that they have seen online.

Computing

This half term, the pupils will go on a bug hunt around the school. They will record and identify the small animals that they find. They will then organise the data they have collected, record it using a graphing package, and interpret the graph to answer questions about the animals.

Religious Education

Our Religious Education theme this half term is *Easter – Resurrection*. *Our key question is: How important is it to Christians that Jesus came back to his life after his crucifixion?* The children will be learning to re-tell the Easter story and understand what Jesus' resurrection means for Christians.

This half term, the children will be continuing to develop their gymnastics skills, focusing on further developing their gymnastic movements. Our PE days are Monday (Moore) and Tuesdays (Hepworth). Please ensure they have their PE kit on these days. Swimming takes place on Thursdays (Hepworth) and Fridays (Moore). The children that aren't currently swimming at the moment will have an additional PE session on a Tuesday (Hepworth) and Friday (Moore).

Music

In music this half term, the children will be exploring music of the Caribbean. They will be introduced to different types of Caribbean music.

Homework

In Year 2 we are focusing on spelling and quick recall of number facts (doubling, halving, number bonds to and from 10, multiplication and division facts).

- Spelling challenge takes place on a Friday. Please encourage your child to practise their spellings daily.
- Please note that, weekly Homework Letters are sent home every Friday.
- Guided reading books are changed on Fridays. Please ensure your child brings their books back to school each week.
- Library books are changed on Tuesday (Moore) and Thursdays (Hepworth)

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

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