

Year 2 Curriculum

Newsletter

SUMMER 2019

Welcome back to your child's final term in Year 2. During the Summer Term, we will continue to offer a wide range of learning activities for your child, including final Key Stage 1 assessments and the Year 2 Concert. This is always a busy term and the children will need to be in school at all times so that they do not miss crucial learning, work and events.

Term Topic

Our topic this term is 'Flowers and Insects' where we will be learning all about different plants and animals, including many that live within the grounds of the school itself!

We will be investigating:

- Where flowers and insects prefer to live and why
- How seeds and plants grow
- The different parts of plants and insects
- How different animals are adapted to live in their habitats



English

During this term our English lessons will be linked to our topic, 'Flowers and Insects'. We will be teaching children how to write a variety of fiction and non-fiction genres such as story writing, instructions, letter writing, diaries and descriptive writing.

This term, we will be focusing on writing clear and accurate sentences, making sure that we are able to use a range of punctuation and grammatical rules correctly, which include capital letters, full stops, commas in a list, question marks, exclamation marks and apostrophes. We will also be learning how to structure longer pieces of writing, ensuring that the writing flows well and that the writing is engaging for the reader.

Our core texts this term are 'The Flower' by John Light and 'The Flower Man' by Mark Ludy



Maths

Over the term we will be continuing to focus on all four calculations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and using these operations to solve problems. The children will develop their knowledge of time and measuring capacity, mass and temperature.

Please continue to practise multiplication facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

[Useful maths websites:](#)

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Art

Children will be carrying out observational drawings of insects and minibeasts, and will then construct 3D junk models of insects. They will also be looking at the work of the artist Andy Goldsworthy. So please bring in any empty boxes and containers.



RE

As part of our work in RE this term, we will be learning about who influences our lives and what ways religious places are important to believers.

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Home Learning

In Year 2, children will be given a home learning activity each week to support, prepare for or reinforce their work in class. This may be in their home learning book or on DB Primary. They will also get a reading task as well as a spelling activity.

Please can you encourage your child to complete their home learning task and give their books to the class teacher by Wednesday morning. If your child has any difficulty completing the tasks at home, please speak to their class teacher who will be happy to help.



SRE

This term we are looking at the following areas as part of our programme of SRE within the school. Our topics are:

- Understanding the concept of personal space
- Knowing which touches we like and do not like.
- Knowing when to keep a secret and when not to

Although closely linked to the Science and PSHE curriculum, SRE will be taught in discreet lessons, as outlined in our school policy.

History / Geography

As part of our history curriculum, we will be learning about key events and memories in the children's lives. We will be asking the children to bring in pictures/photographs of different events in their lives to sequence and discuss. In geography we will be comparing the physical and human features of the local area with that in a different climate, including the plants and animals which survive there.

Every Day Counts — Well done to the following children who achieved 100% attendance last term:

2W — Zain Abedin, Mustafa Ali, Nicoli Antoci, Hassan Balaky, Mohammed Shawaiz Cassim, Abdulmuiz Durrani, Jasmin Hussein, Md Montasir Bin Mamun, Lukas McKenna, Dominic Moga, Anishka Nair, Manesh Nantharajan, Millan O'Leary, Aditi Sikder, Kiara Soares Gomes, Usman Sorwar, Raania Uddin **2T** — Naeem Ahmed, Aaliyah Akthar, Francisco Alves, Luca Cotea, Zahra Durrani, Abrar Elkouchi, Azaniel Fernandes, Simonas Gedvilas, Jessica Guzior, Adrika Kar, Hannan Khan, Umamah Khan, Flavian Masunga, Mohammed Rayn Miah, Emaan Fatima Naqvi, Alina Poznyak, Dhanishka Raviharan, Kyle Vasu **2P** — Mohammad Al Jarad, Narjisse Chahboune, Mehek Chaudhary, Rahib Choudhury, Jack Glendenning, Aaren Gondalia, Levi Gyamfi, Alexandra Ionescu, Rehman Mohammed, Preston Mpere Masiala, Attila Mulla, Fatima Naveed, Muhammed Sanneh, Ayub Sorwar, Darun Suthan **2S** — Yusor Al-Hyali, Zainab Butt, Hassan Chughtai, Eesa Bin Fahad, Naureen Hanafi, Haashim Kayani, Ibrahim Nawaz, Sofia Nemeti, Arjun Ramachandran, Atharv Saraswat, Nishta Varsani

Diary Dates

10th May	Class Photographs
w/c 20th May	KS1 SATS - Reading & Maths Assessments
23rd May	School Closed to All Pupils (European Elections)
24th May	School Open to All Pupils
27th May—31st June	Half Term Holiday (School Closed)
10th June—14th June	Year 1 and Year 2 Phonic Screening Week
11th June	Parent Forum - 9.10am The Hub
18th June	Recorder Recital
20th June	Year 2 Sharing Assembly - 9.05am Upper Hall
24th June	Visit to Flower Festival at St Peter's Church
26th & 28th June	Year 2 visits to James Leal Centre (2W - 26/06 & 2T - 28/06)
27th June	KS1 Sports Day (Year 1 & 2)
3rd & 5th July	Year 2 visit to James Leal Centre (2P - 03/07 & 2S - 05/07)
9th July	2W & 2P Concert - 2.00pm Upper Hall
10th July	2T & 2S Concert - 2.00pm Upper Hall
15th July	End of Year Report to Parents / Carers
16th July	Parent / Carer Open Evening - 3.40pm—6.00pm
23rd July	End of Term - School Closes at 2.00pm

Helping with Reading - Parent Helpers needed

Reading is a vital skill. To help inspire and aid the children in their own reading, we are looking for several parent volunteers to come into school regularly to read to and with pupils in Year 2. You don't need to be an expert or a teacher, just someone who enjoys reading and could share this enjoyment with others!

If you would like to offer your time to help our school in this way, please do speak to one of the Year 2 teachers, as we'd love to hear from you and discuss this further.