

P.E.

The children will have an outdoor P.E lesson each week as well as an indoor P.E lesson once a week. The sessions will be delivered by ourselves and coach on a Monday and Thursday. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school on these days.

This term's activities will include 'throwing and catching', 'dribbling', 'balancing' and 'travelling'.



Homework

Home learning will be set each Friday and is due in the following Wednesday. They will consist of:



- A task linked to either the week's English, Maths or a foundation subject's learning
- Spelling practice

The spellings will be tested on a Friday. The children should be reading to an adult at least 3 times a week and also should be engaging with a wide range of other texts. A brief comment should be recorded in the reading record at least once per week. Please ensure school reading books and reading records are always in the reading folders every day. They will also have a 'free choice' book to read with and or alongside an adult.

Music



This term Year 2 will be focussing on :

- Exploring duration and beat
- Preparing for harvest festival
- Christmas songs and music

Children will be working on their rhythmic skills as well as developing their performance skills.

R.E. & P.S.H.E

This half term our core Christian value is 'Love'. After half term it will be 'Forgiveness'. We will explore these values in PSHE. Our first unit in PSHE will be 'Being me'

In RE this term, we will explore:

- Why did Jesus teach us the lords prayer as the way to pray?
- Who is the saint of our school?
- How does the symbol of light help us to understand the meaning of Christmas for Christians.



Teachers - Miss Crego and Mrs Dempsey
Teaching Assistants - Mrs Payne and Mrs Chrysanthou.



Year 2 Autumn Newsletter

Welcome back to St.Paul's and a warm welcome to Year 2! We are so pleased to have everyone back.

We have some exciting learning ahead of us for, what promises to be, a fantastic first term in Year 2.

Dates for your diary:

Tues, 12th Sep: Information meeting KS1 2:30pm

Tues 19th Sep: Harvest festival church service 9:00am

Throughout October: Black history month

Monday 16th October: Individual and sibling photos

Half Term: Monday 23—27th October

Inset: Monday 30th October

Tuesday 14th November: Parent Consultations 3.45– 6.30pm

Wednesday 15th November: Parent consultations 3.45-6.30 pm

Christmas Holiday: Term ends on Thursday 21st of December, re opens 5th Jan

Information regarding trips will be emailed home via the school office or a letter will be sent home

English

As a school we will begin the year looking at the story 'In our hands' by Lucy Farfort. We will then move onto looking at the book 'The Magic Finger' by Roald Dahl. Among other activities, we will be using the book to inspire our own detailed character descriptions.

During the second half term, we will be looking at the book 'George's Marvellous Medicine' and create our own set of instructions.



Science

In Science this term, the children will be learning about the uses of everyday materials. The children will be beginning to identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials for particular uses (wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick/rock, paper and cardboard). This will lead onto them finding out how the shapes of some solid objects can be changed by squashing, bending, stretching and twisting.



Computing

This half term the children will be learning about digital photography. The children will be learning to recognise the different devices that can be used to capture photographs and will gain experience capturing, editing and improving photos.

After half term, the children will be learning about information technology around us. They will identify IT and how its responsible use improves our world and school and beyond.



Maths

Throughout the term the children will be developing their understanding of the following key skills and concepts:

- Number and place value
- Using their 2, 5 and 10 times tables to explore problems.
- Number: addition and subtraction
- Money
- Multiplication and division.

Every week the children will have an arithmetic test.



History

In our History lessons this half term we will look at who we remember on Remembrance Day and why it is important to remember. We will be looking at images of the trenches from WW1 and exploring why people today buy and wear poppies.

Geography

After half term, we will be starting our Geography unit on continents and oceans. The children will be locating and describing the different oceans and continents on a map. As well this, they will look at the physical and human features of a continent.



Art and Design & Technology

This term the children will be studying a unit called 'Drawing; Tell a Story'. We will be using storybook illustrations as a stimulus so children can develop their mark-making to explore a wider range of tools.

After half term in D&T we will be looking at structures. The children will build structures using building materials and exploring how they can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable through joining.

