

P.E.

The children will have an outdoor P.E lesson each week as well as an indoor P.E lesson once a fortnight. The sessions will be delivered by ourselves and Coach Stan on a Wednesday and a Friday. 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 and your child's score will be written into, and sent home in, their blue spelling book.

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. On your child's reading day, they will take home a comprehension to complete, due in the following week. They will also have a 'free choice' book to read with and or alongside an adult.

Music



This term Year 2 will be learning

- To discover ways to use their voices to describe feelings and moods. To create and notate vocal sounds, building to a performance.
- To move and play to a steady beat and to sound sequences. They will listen to, and perform, music inspired by myths. The children will develop a sense of steady beat through using their own bodies. They will respond to music and play rhythm patterns on body percussion and instruments.

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 PSHCE alongside learning about the meaning behind our school's 'Golden Rules'. I

In RE this term, we will explore:

- Why is it good to listen to and remember the stories Jesus told?
- Why are saints important to Christianity?
- How does the symbol of light help us to understand the meaning of Christmas for Christians?



Teachers - Miss Simou, Miss Poplar, Miss Perrin
Teaching Assistants - Mrs Payne, Mrs Mills, Mrs Mouyiassi



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:

Tue, 28th Sep: 3:30 pm – 6:30 pm Yr 1-6 Parent/Teacher Consultations

Wed, 29th Sep: 3:30 pm – 6:30 pm Yr 1-6 Parent/Teacher Consultations

Thu, 30th Sep: 9:00 am – 10:00 am Yr 1-6 Harvest Festival at St Paul's Church

Fri, 1st Oct: 9:00 am – 10:00 am Parent's prayer meeting

Half Term: Monday 25 to Friday 29 October

Christmas Holiday: Term ends on Friday 17 December at 1:30pm and starts on Tuesday 4th January 2022.

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

English

This half term we will be looking at the book 'Beegu' by Alexis Deacon to base our English learning on. We will use this text to write character descriptions and to write an alternative story where Beegu will visit our local area. We will also be looking at the book 'The Magic Finger' by Roald Dahl.

During the second half term, we will be looking at the book 'George's Marvellous Medicine' by Roald Dahl as well as exploring 'The Snowman' by Raymond Briggs.



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 as this, they will look at the physical and human features of a continent.



Art and Design & Technology

This term the children will be exploring the formal elements of art: pattern, texture and tone.

The children will create printed patterns using everyday objects; take rubbings using different media and learn how to make their drawings three dimensional.

In D&T after half term, we will be learning about mechanisms and then moving on to understanding what a balanced diet is.

