



Year 2 Spring 1 2024 (First half term)

English

This term, the children will be exploring the text *Fantastic Mr Fox* by Roald Dahl, using the features in this book to plan, write and edit their own adventure story. We will be focusing on description using noun phrases, sentence starters and conjunctions to add detail. Following this, we will be using our science learning about hot and cold places to write a non-chronological report about different types of places to live.



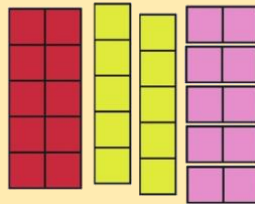
Maths

Year 2 will begin the term by recapping their knowledge of money. The children will develop their understanding of pence, coin and note pounds, making different amounts, comparing amounts, and finding change.

We will then move on to multiplication and division. This will include making equal groups, using arrays, sharing, and grouping, odd and even numbers and times tables.

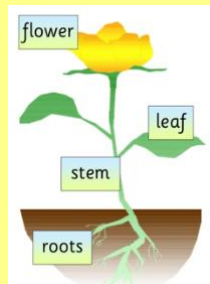


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Science

Plants will be our starting topic in science this term. We will be investigating plant parts, what plants need to grow, and whether all plants need light to grow. After this, Hedgehogs will be developing their understanding of what a habitat is, what kinds of living things live in different types of habitat and why.



Geography

This term is a geography focus; Year 2 will learn about the features of hot and cold places. Within this, the children will name and locate the 7 continents, locate the North and South Poles and the Equator, describe similarities and differences between the UK and another country, and understand different climates.

Art - Sculpture

Hedgehogs will be developing their sculpting skills this term, working with clay to make a 3D tile. We will be learning how to flatten, smooth, join and mark clay. The children will then design, make and evaluate their clay sculptures.



Computing

In our computing lessons, Year 2 will be first learning about simple pictograms and how to make them. We will be using yes/no questions to help create them, and using binary trees to show information. We will then move on to exploring how to search the internet more effectively.



PE & Music

Year 2's PE lessons will now be every **Wednesday and Thursday**. The children will be developing their gymnastics and yoga skills in their sessions. In music, the children will learn how to describe different pieces of music, identify instruments, and create their own piece of music to tell a story.

RE & RSHE

RE: This term we will explore the question 'How do Christians belong to their faith family?' This will involve identifying different Christian symbols and artefacts, and different Christian beliefs. RSHE - Year 2 will be developing their understanding of peer relationships with a focus on bullying. We will discuss different types of teasing and bullying, and identify why these are wrong.