

Summer 1 Newsletter

Year 2

Dear Year 2 Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to the summer term! Please see below an outline of learning this term.

Maths

We will begin the summer term learning about mass, capacity and temperature, before moving onto fractions, focussing on finding halves, quarters and thirds of amounts.

In Maths, we will also be reviewing all four operations, with a focus on addition and subtraction. Children will be revisiting how to use base ten to solve these operations, as well as using a blank number line and their number facts to support them.

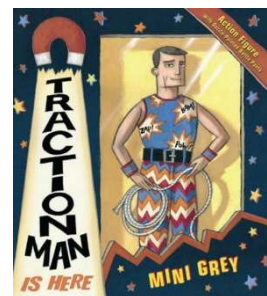
We hope everyone is continuing with their Times Table Rockstars and there is also a one-minute Maths app made by White Rose, if you haven't tried it yet, it is free to download. 1-minute Maths is a great way to review and strengthen children's fluency in the four operations as well. We recommend revisiting number bonds, adding and taking away tens, and reviewing multiplication facts (2s, 3s, 5s and 10s) and the 'divide by' section where children can use their multiplication facts to help them. Children can also review these on TTRS.

<https://whiterosemaths.com/1-minute-maths>

You might also find Topmarks to be a useful site for Maths home learning, particularly the Daily Ten: <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/daily10>

Literacy

We have begun the summer term with Traction Man, the children have been enjoying the comic style of the story. We will now be writing and illustrating our own Traction Man missions bringing to life characters using household objects. We will move on to factual writing as our second topic, looking at different information texts and creating an information booklet about the River Thames. In our whole class reading lessons, we will be looking at a range of texts and developing fluency and comprehension.



A slight change from last term, children will be going home with a book and their reading diary each day, we ask that they read for ten minutes each day and bring it in each morning. We will be continuing to send Year 2 Spelling lists home via email, so please look out for those.

Science

In Science, we are learning about living things and their habitats with a specific study on polar, woodland, ocean and desert habitats, but also learning about various contrasting habitats and their plants and animals.

Wider Curriculum

In Geography this term, we are continuing our learning about rivers. We will be thinking about the physical and human features of the River Nile and River Thames, as well as comparing London and Cairo. In Art, children will be developing their skills in sketching, perspective and observational drawing. **To help us with this, we will be visiting Greenwich Park on Thursday 22nd May in the afternoon, to observe and sketch the River Thames.** In RE, we will be learning about Islam, specifically thinking about the five pillars of Islam. In Spanish, children will be learning about colours and superheros. In PSHE, children are learning all about health and well-being. In Computing, the children are learning about digital literacy and using technology for purpose. We will use tablets to support research across Geography, Science and Literacy.

In PE this term, we will be exploring jumping using different combinations, as well as jumping for distance and speeds. Our other topic this term is 'Rackets, Bats and Balls', where we will be focusing on using a range of rackets and bats to hit balls with accuracy, while also building an understanding of how these skills are used in different sports.

PE days:

Mrs Paratilla

Indoor (outdoor when weather allows) – Tuesday

Outdoor – Thursday

Mr Vousden

Indoor (outdoor when weather allows) – Wednesday

Outdoor – Friday

All the best to you and your families,

Mrs Paratilla and Mr Vousden