

Year 2 Newsletter - Advent Term 2 2025

Welcome back to another busy half term.

Below I have briefly outlined what we will be learning this half term.

Please, if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's happiness and education please feel free to speak with me on the play ground or arrange a phone call via the office.

Many thanks

Mrs Fraser



English

Writing

This half term we will be looking at the books '*The Great Fire of London*' and '*The Journey Home*'. We will be writing persuasive posters, letters of advice, information booklets, lists, postcards and our own short stories. We then hope to round off the term with some writing based around a Christmas story such as, '*The Snowman*'.

Grammar

We will be learning how to use commas in lists, the conjunctions 'so', 'and', 'but', 'or', 'because', 'that', 'when' and 'if'.

Spelling

This half term our spelling follow some of the Year 2 spelling rules outlined in the national curriculum. These are soft 'g' and 'dge' words, 'c' before e, i and y, silent 'k' and 'g' sounds at the start of words, 'y' at the end of words and turning 'y' to an 'i' before adding -ed, -er and -est.

A copy of the spelling words were sent home at the start of the year. If you need a copy of this, it can be found on the Year 2 page of our website.

Handwriting

We will continue with handwriting practice in class. Some fantastic progress has already been made!

Reading

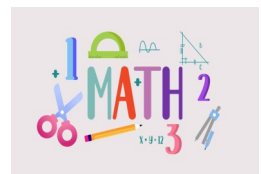
Reading books will be sent home and it is expected that your child reads regularly, a minimum of three times a week. Please record this in their reading record books and provide an adult signature. We will also have plenty of opportunities in school for them to read to an adult.

Our school library slot is on a Friday afternoon, with our Year 5 reading partners. Your child will have the chance to select a book to read for pleasure. If they wish to change their library book please ensure it is in school on this day.

Maths

We will continue with our Addition and Subtraction unit before moving on to Multiplication and Division.

This half term we will start times tables tests starting with 2 times tables in order then moving to 2 times tables out of order. Please support your child with learning these, there are plenty of You tube videos and 'Hit the button' online game is a fabulous resource to support this.



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Prophecy and Promise - Understand that prophets communicate God's messages. Know that Isaiah told the world of Jesus long before He was born. Describe some of the ways Christians prepare for the coming of Jesus during the Advent period.



Science

Animals including Humans - Describe the basic needs of animals (including humans) and the importance of exercise, eating healthy and hygiene.

Everyday Materials - Identifying and comparing everyday materials for particular uses.

PE

PE will take place on a **Thursday** morning and **Friday** afternoon please make sure full PE kit is in school on these days and earrings can be removed

Fitness - To develop fitness, co-ordination and strength to build stamina.

Dance - To remember, repeat and link actions to tell a story through dance.

Music

Recorder - To play an untuned instrument musically.

Voice - Learning and rehearsing some of the songs for our Nativity.

Computing

Online Safety - Recognise common uses of information technology beyond school and how to use these safely and respectfully.

Using the internet - To use technology purposefully to retrieve digital content.

History

The Great Fire of London - To understand events, significant to The Great Fire of London that are beyond living memory and learn about significant individuals, during this time, such as, Samuel Pepys and Charles II.



Art

Andy Goldsworthy - To learn about and recreate work from Andy Goldsworthy, using materials from nature to create art.

PSHE

Bullying Matters - Know some simple strategies to resolve arguments between friends and when and how to ask for help. Recognise that we can be hurt by both words and actions and that hurtful behaviour is not acceptable. Know what to do if they feel worried.

Being Safe - Talking about what keeps us safe and recognising risks. Learn how to keep safe at home and online and understand the people whose job it is to keep us safe.

Dates for the diary

Thursday 30th October - Whole School Mass - Church - 9.30am

Friday 21st November - School closed for INSET

Friday 28th November - Non-uniform day - in exchange for a bottle

Friday 28th November - School Christmas Fair - 5pm

Thursday 11th December - KS1 Nativity - Church - 2pm

Friday 19th December - School closes for Christmas holidays

