



Year 2 Curriculum Letter- Summer 2 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our final half-term of the year! We've had two great terms, and we hope that the children will enjoy this last half term before Year 3. Our Topic will be: **Settlements – How do homes at the seaside and in the city differ?** We will be exploring these locations both historically and geographically, ending in a trip to Walton on the Naze in July.

	Curriculum covered this half-term	Optional suggestions for home-learning
English	We will be reading the story 'The Storm Whale', looking at character, setting and themes. We will be using this story to write our own version of the tale.	Writing - KS1 Language and Literacy - BBC Bitesize
Maths	Time: O'clock and half past, quarter past and quarter to. Tell the time past the hour, tell the time to 5 minutes and minutes in an hour and in a day. The children will also be making and interpreting tally charts.	Talk to your children about the time of day and ask them to tell you the time at various points during the day. Time - KS1 Maths - BBC Bitesize
Science	Plants – we will be growing plants and looking at what plants needs to grow and survive, as well thinking about parts of plants that we eat.	https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/topics/zpxnyrd
ICT	We will be creating music digitally and programming on scratch junior.	It would really help the children if they could practise typing at home, learning to use capital letters and the shift function, as well as typing words and sentences using different fingers, not just their index fingers to find different keys.
Geography	We are looking at settlements this half term with our enquiry question being 'Do homes at the seaside and in the city differ?' We will be ending the unit with a trip to Walton on the Naze!	Settlements: cities, towns and villages - BBC Teach
Art/D.T.	We will be learning about food and nutrition and healthy eating. We will be learning about culinary skills and techniques.	food and nutrition ks1 - Search Videos
PE	This term we will be continuing to develop our bat and ball skills in games, including rounders. We will also be practising the skills and team work we need for our Sports Day.	
RE	Islam: Does going to the Mosque give Muslims a sense of belonging?	Visit a mosque and talk about different beliefs.
RSE	Growing up, changes in our bodies, correctly naming our body parts and explaining the differences in boy's and girl's bodies.	
Music	We will be learning about rhythm and beat. The children will sing- along with Shostakovich, the Russian composer and pianist. The children will also be revisiting pitch and volume.	

Mandarin	This half term, we will be learning how to say and read the days of the week in Mandarin.	
Outdoor learning	We will be continuing our exciting Outdoor Learning program this half term. Our children will have timetabled sessions planned by our Forest School trained teacher and our Outdoor Learning Practitioner Megan Greene. Outdoor Learning will be linked with our National Curriculum subjects.	

We look forward to a happy and successful last half term with the children.

With best wishes,

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The Year 2 Team