



Year 2 Curriculum Letter - Spring 1 2024

January 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

We shall be covering the following areas this half- term. Our main topic will be '**Mexico**'. We will also be starting the topic of **Materials** in Science.

| | Curriculum covered this half-term | Optional suggestions for home-learning |
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| English | <p>During this half term we will be focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Finishing Non-fiction text - Expanded noun phrases - Commas - Subordinating conjunctions - Beegu by Alexis Dixon | <p>spag - topmarks Search</p> |
| Maths | <p>During this half term we will be focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Finishing shape - Money - Multiplication and division | <p>https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/problem-solving</p> <p>https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button.</p> <p>Practise the 2-, 5- and 10-times tables in order and at random.</p> <p>Times Table Rockstars</p> |
| Science | <p><u>Materials:</u> We will be identifying and sorting materials, learning the properties of different materials, discussing the uses of everyday materials, and investigating how different materials change shape.</p> | <p>Science Museum</p> |
| Geography | <p>We will be learning about Mexico! We will locate and name the seven continents and five oceans, locate Mexico on a map, compare parts of Mexico with London and describe the physical and human features of places in Mexico.</p> | |
| ICT | <p>Create coding Children will create code to programme avatars to perform various activities and actions.</p> | <p>Code monkey is an excellent website to practice these skills.</p> |
| PE | <p>Yoga – learning different positions to make a sequence. Sending and receiving using a ball.</p> | <p>Practice Yoga at home – Cosmic Yoga is great for this on YouTube.</p> |
| Art | <p><u>Painting:</u> We will be looking at the works of Kandinsky to inspire us when choosing colours and lines to express feelings.</p> | |
| Music | <p>Grandma Rap This unit explores beat and rhythm work using crotchets and quavers.</p> | |



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| PSHE | Dreams and goals | Discuss aspirations |
| RE | Islam – Prayer at home | Visit a local Mosque |
| Mandarin | Animals | |
| Outdoor learning | We will be continuing our exciting new Outdoor Learning program this half term. Our children will have timetabled sessions planned by our Forest School trained teacher and our Outdoor Learning Practitioner, Cath Demitriou. The Outdoor Learning will be linked with our National Curriculum subjects. | |

Please ensure the children continue to bring in **water bottles** every day, to keep them hydrated as they learn.

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

With best wishes,

Alexandra Williams & Audrey Clarke
Year 2 Class Teachers