

English

This term, we will be learning about a significant children's author, Anthony Browne. By reading his books, we will discover how he successfully tells a five-part story, whilst also incorporating some familiar fairy tales. Throughout the unit, we will be learning how to describe settings and characters. As part of our non-fiction writing, we will be writing a report about our local area, ensuring that we are using new grammatical features, such as conjunctions. We will also enjoy writing our own poems linked to Bonfire Night.

Geography

This term, we will be studying and reading different types of maps. We will be using atlases to revisit directions and learn about human and physical features of geography. This will help us to identify the location of our town, the four countries of the UK and the surrounding seas.

Maths

Throughout our maths lessons this term, we will be learning how to subtract 2-digit numbers efficiently and accurately using equipment and pictorial representations to show our understanding. We will also be continuing to learn our 10, 2 and 5 times tables, including the related division facts. Moving on from our work on shapes, we will recap the names and properties of common 3D shapes as well as learn new vocabulary around the position and direction of objects within practical activities.

Science

For our new science topic, Year 2 will be studying living things and their habitats. We will explore our local habitat within the school grounds to identify things that are living and non-living. Then, we will identify a range of different UK habitats, including microhabitats, and name some of the animals and plants that live there. We will be conducting simple investigations that will provide the children with opportunities to collect and record data about the types of microhabitats that mini-beasts like to live in.

Year 2 Class 5 & 6
Miss Carter & Mrs Pearce
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On Our Doorstep



Computing

This term we will be giving and following instructions, debugging simple programmes and using the iPads to create our own algorithms (a sequence of instructions). When thinking about e-safety we will talk about our identity and how we can communicate this safely online.

P.S.H.E.

This term, we will be celebrating our differences, recognising what is right and wrong and finding ways to be a good friend.

Music

During this term, we will be revising pulse, rhythm, dynamics and tempo from Year 1 whilst listening to some classical music. We will also introduce texture and stick notation when working with the glockenspiels and using body percussion.

P.E.

This term, Mr Barnett will be focussing on basketball skills, including catching and throwing. A warm PE kit must stay in school for the remainder of the term to allow children to participate in outdoor lessons.

R.E.

We will be learning about Christianity and the belief of Jesus being a gift from God. Within our R.E. lessons, we will discuss the different roles that we can play in helping and supporting others around us.

Art

Our focus this term will be using different materials to create 3D sculptures in the style of famous artists. We will study the forms, shapes and textures explored in different pieces of art, which will culminate in the creation of our own clay animal sculpture.

Welcome back, Year 2!

We hope that you have all enjoyed a well-deserved rest over the half-term holidays and are ready for the busy term ahead. As part of our topic work this term, we are looking forward to studying Swindon and hoping to visit some of the local areas on our doorstep that make our town so special. If you would be willing to help us on a walking trip to Town Gardens this term, please speak to your child's teacher or the office, so we can provide you with some more details.

Miss Carter, Mrs Pearce & Mrs George 😊