

Half -Termly Topic Plan Year 2 Spring 1 2024

	Around the World
Literacy	The Literacy this half term will be based around books that will take us around the world to Africa, Australia and China, We will study a range of fiction and information texts to develop our knowledge of the world, reading stories and watching film clips set in different countries, writing fact files an non-chronological reports. On daily basis phonics, spelling, grammar and punctuation work will be reinforced. Spelling tests will take place on a Friday. Children will be heard read individually each week in class. Whole class reading lessons will take place where we will work on prediction, inference and retrieval skills. Subject vocabulary: index, glossary, alphabetical order, definition, noun, adjective, conjunction
Maths	During this half term Year 2's will continue with their work on 2D and 3D shape and practise using their knowledge of multiplication and division to complete mental calculations and solve mathematical problems. Children will gain an understanding of multiplication, division and the link between them. Subject vocabulary; 2D, 3D, edges, faces, vertices, multiply, lots of, groups of, multiplication divide, share, group
Science	Animals including Humans Our science topic this half term will focus on animals and humans. During this topic we will look at lifecycles of humans and animals and find out about their basic needs. We will look at the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and keeping healthy and hygiene. Subject vocabulary: offspring, babies, young, adults, older, younger, baby, toddler, child, teenager, basic needs, survival, hygiene, clean, wash, healthy, medicine, drugs
History	History will be studied next half term
Geography	During this topic, the children will identify the physical and human features of some of the countrie around the world using atlases, dvd clips and non-fiction books. They will learn about the language and food of the countries studied. Subject vocabulary; country, continent, population, landmark, ocean
Computing	Robot Algorithms - In this unit, we will develop understanding of instructions in sequences and the use of logical reasoning to predict outcomes. The children will use given commands in different orders to investigate how the order affects the outcome. They will also learn about design in programming. They will design algorithms and then test those algorithms as programs and debug them. Subject vocabulary: program, command, prediction, sequence, algorithm
DT OT	Animal hand puppets The children will design and make an animal hand puppet. They will practise different joining techniques, including sewing, and evaluate their product at the end. Subject vocabulary; glove puppet, pattern, template, running stitch, decorate, attach
Art	The children will look at Art relating to some of the countries we are learning about. From painting animals from Africa, we will then create Maasai figure drawings using chalk pastels. For Chinese Ne Year, the children will be studying and making a Chinese Dragon painting as well as painting a Chinese Blue vase or plate. From Australia, we will look at Aboriginal Art to make a mixed media Australian animal collage. Subject vocabulary: colour, oil pastels, Maasai figure sketches, chalk pastel techniques, highlighting, Australia, Aboriginal animal dot patterns, mixed media, China, imagination, draw, pattern, watercolour paints, Chinese Dragon.
P.E.	This half term, PE lessons will take place on Monday and Thursday Games (Mondays outdoors) Children will learn to play games from around the world initially in smal groups, leading onto whole class games that involve throwing, catching and fielding skills. Gymnastics (Thursday - indoors) Children will learn the skills needed to perform a sequence with changes in speed & direction including 3 different actions Subject vocabulary; Balance, roll, jump, sequence, throw, catch, bounce, position, underarm, overarm

R.E	What is the good new Jesus brings - In this work, pupils will investigate the lives of some people for whom Jesus was good news. Jesus offered friendship, forgiveness and peace. Pupils will think about how these three offers are 'good news'. Subject vocabulary; gospel incarnation disciples, Jesus, God, Christian, charity, Lord's prayer volunteer, kindness
PSHE	Children will play games, sing songs, role play and read stories which will help them recognize positive things about themselves and understand the importance of leading a healthy lifestyle. Subject vocabulary; medicines, safe, unsafe, germs, exercise
Music	Grandma's Rap: This unit explores beat and rhythm work using crotchets and quavers. The children will create their own 4-beat patterns. Subject vocabulary, crotchet, quaver, repeat, pitch

