

Year 2 Curriculum Letter- Summer 2 2024



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	Measuring: estimating and measuring length (m/cm), volume (l/ml), temperature (degrees c), statistics and consolidation.	Cooking at home while going through the measurements in g and kg or ml and l would be excellent for the children to consolidate their knowledge and understanding of these units.
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
ІСТ	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!	
Art/D.T.	Exploring Katie Vernon's use of painting and collages to apply a range of printing techniques, use stencilling, manipulate fabrics, use drawing tools in different ways and combine materials for different effects.	
PE	This term we will be continuing to develop our bat and ball skills in games, including rounders.	
RE	Islam: Does going to the Mosque give Muslims a sense of belonging? We will be visiting a local mosque later in the term.	Visit a mosque
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 a polish song – Tanczyma Labada and learning and practising our song for the Tetherdown album.	
Mandarin	This half term, we will be learning the days of the week.	

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, Cath Demitriou. The Outdoor Learning will be linked with our National Curriculum subjects.	
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We look forward to a happy and successful last half term with the children.

With best wishes,

Audrey Clarke and Alexandra Williams

The Year 2 Team