

Forest and Sandridge C of E Primary School

Curriculum Information Letter- Year 2 January 2022



Dear Parents,

Happy New Year to you all. It is lovely to be back in school at the start of Term 3. We have lots of exciting to focus upon and we look forward to seeing even more super progress made in the children's learning.

Our Focus Values for the Spring Term are 'Hope and Wisdom'

Our learning Themes for the Spring Term are: 'Arctic Adventures' and 'Castle Chaos'.

English	In year 2 this term we will be focusing upon fiction and non-fiction texts. We will be revisiting and consolidating some of the English learning from previous terms including use of nouns, adjectives, verbs and adverbs, using commas in a list and conjunctions 'and, but, or, because'. During the term ahead we will look at possessive commas, contracted apostrophes and looking at using our editing skills to ensure our writing is well sequenced and coherent. We will continue to do daily spelling and reading in class and we ask that you continue to support your child with learning spellings and record reading in green reading records.
Maths	In maths we will be looking at multiplication and division (2s, 3s, 5s and 10s), 3D shape, fractions, time, money and measures. Children will continue to practice addition and subtraction of 2-digit numbers. Maths Attack tests will be done weekly so lots of practice is really important.
RE	We will be looking at how Jewish people celebrate the festival of Passover and consider what Christians think God is like. We will link these with stories and teachings from the Bible.
Science	We are going to be learning about 'Living things and their habitats'. This will include thinking about what is a suitable environment for different creatures and adaptations for survival.
Computing	During computing we will focus upon on-line safety and digital literacy. We will consider ways to use devices such as laptops and tablets appropriately.
PE + Sports	This term we will be taking part in gymnastics activities and how we can use our bodies with control to create different balances and sequences. We will take part in different games activities.
History	Much of term 3 will be a geographical focus though we will look historical aspects of castle life and think about the ways castles were designed to keep people safe inside during term 4.
Geography	In Geography we are going on an 'Arctic Adventure' to learn about the different poles of the earth and how the environment contrasts with the rest of the world in climate and habitat.
Art and Design	During art we will be creating some amazing collages based upon our Arctic Adventure theme. We will also look at some collages created by the great artist Henri Matisse.
D.T	In D.T. during term 4 we will be looking at wheels and axels and aiming to create our very own castle winding mechanisms.
PSHEE/SRE	We will look at the theme of 'Dreams and Goals' and 'Healthy Me' This offers children the opportunity to explore future targets and how they can achieve these with support plus ways to ensure they lead a healthy lifestyle.
Music	We will be looking at beat, rhythm and playing different percussion instruments.

Attendance	It is very important that your child attends school every day that they are fit and well. Please check our website or telephone the school office if you are unsure about whether to send your child into school or not. Pupils with attendance of less than 90% are regarded by the Government as having Persistent Absence and pupils with attendance in danger of falling to this level will be invited into school for support and an action plan (to restore their attendance to a level that will allow them to achieve well at school).
Learning at Home	Please try to read with your child at least 5 x per week and record this in their reading records – it will make a difference to their reading progress. Spellings – We will have our spelling test on a Friday. Maths Attack – this will be tested weekly.
Important Information	We will aim to change reading books every Monday. Please ensure reading books and records are sent into school every day. PE- Please ensure your child has a full, NAMED kit in school. We will send it home regularly to be washed. Please ensure all lunchboxes, drinks bottles, clothing, wellies etc are named. This really helps if your child misplaces them at school.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us on Class Dojo.

Mrs Bell and Miss Buck

Important Dates

Ash Class assembly- Tuesday 22nd March

Elm Class assembly-Tuesday 5th April