



## Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter – Summer 1

<b><u>PE</u></b> Frogs – Monday & Wednesday Newts – Tuesday & Thursday Salamanders – Tuesday & Wednesday Toads – Monday & Thursday	<b><u>Forest School</u></b> We do not have forest school this half term.	<b><u>Important Dates</u></b> Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May – Parent showcase – come and join your child to learn Science!
English	<p>We will be reading 'George and the Dragon' and writing a tale about defeating a monster. Have you ever had to defeat a monster?! Learn how this half term! After writing our tale, we will be creating poetry linked to the story. The grammar foci for the term will include homophones, word classes, apostrophes and recapping tenses. We will continue to learn spellings matched to spelling rule. Year 2 will also have a strong focus on handwriting this half term to ensure that all children have a legible script with correctly formed letters that are an appropriate size compared to the rest of the word. In Reading lessons, many children will move off of the phonics programme and on to our school comprehension programme, Talk for Reading. Within these lessons, we focus on one main text and use this to develop many skills such as, retrieval, inference and prediction.</p> <p><b><u>Help your child prepare for their learning:</u></b> Please ensure your child practises their spellings each day and also reads each night.</p>	
Maths	<p>This half term, we will be continuing our learning in 'time'. While we will practise reading and writing the time on an analogue clock, we will also be learning about time durations. We will then move onto learning about measure. We will firstly look at length and height with centimetres and metres. Then, we'll move onto mass, capacity and temperature. Whilst learning about measure, we will be ordering, comparing and problem solving. We will continue to consolidate our learning of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division through different measurements.</p> <p><b><u>Help your child prepare for their learning:</u></b> Continue to practise multiplication and division facts for 10x, 2x and 5x. It is expected that children should be able to rapidly recall these facts by the end of Year 2. It would also support your child further if they practised measuring or looking at different measurements of food items you find in the kitchen.</p>	
Science	<p>Our science topic this half term is plants. We will be observing how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. We will also be investigating what plants need to grow. The scientific skills that we will focus on are observing and recording. Of course, we will be getting our hands dirty as we plant our own seeds and bulbs.</p> <p><b><u>Help your child prepare for their learning:</u></b> Explore the plants and trees you find in the local area. Where do they grow? Why do they grow there?</p>	
PE	This half term will focus on athletics and mini team matches.	

Art	We have a fun topic planned based on printing! We will be using our imaginations as we use different ways of printing to create sunflower artwork.
R.E	In R.E this half term, we will be investigating the question 'What is a prophet?' through a range of religious and non-religious viewpoints.
Geography	In geography our top is "Our Wonderful World!" We will be exploring our local wonders and then the wonders of the wider world. Through virtually visiting these places, we will develop our mapping skills as well as learning about natural and mandmade landmarks.
Music	Our music lessons this half term will revolve around the theme of Space. We will be revisiting the key vocabulary: dynamics, timber, tempo and motifs. We will use these key words to help us describe new music that we hear as well as the new music that we make!
PSHE	Our theme of relationships will explore our relationships but also the relationships of others around us.