Curriculum Newsletter

Summer 2

PORTFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL YEAR 2



Talk for Reading

In Summer 2 we will continue Talk for Reading. This half term our focus texts will be "Fantastic Mr Fox" written by Roald Dahl. Many of us are now reading fluently and are focusing on inference skills, retrieval skills and comprehension skills. Some children will be focusing on securing our final phonics sounds and reading fluently.

How can I support at home?

Reading is the key to success at this age so we are encouraging all children to read as regularly as possible. When you have read any reading scheme book or story book from home with your child, please also ask some simple comprehension questions that allow children opportunities to predict what may happen next or to infer what is happening by reading the text/looking at the pictures.

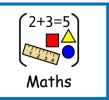


Talk for Writing

We will begin with a short poetry unit linked to our previous text "George and the Dragon". Following this we will focus on writing commands and using these to write a list of instructions. Our model text will tell our reader "How to trap a dragon", we will use this learning to write our own instructions how to capture their own creatures.

How can I support at home?

Please encourage children to use capital letters (where needed) and appropriate punctuation at the end of any sentence you see them write. We are continuing to practise our neat handwriting script by sitting letters on the line, ensuring ascenders are tall and descenders have tails under the line. Some children have started learning how to join some pairs of letters together. Some examples to practise at home are: ea, cy, de, he, ai.



Maths

In maths, we will begin with statistics. As part of this we will collect and interpret data using tables, block graphs and pictograms. We will then move onto position and direction and use language to discuss movement and turns.

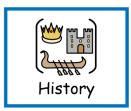
How can I support at home?

We have recently focussed on multiplication and division and have introduced the 2 times table, the 10 times table and the 5 times table. Regularly practising these at home will improve their fluency and understanding of these number facts. Continue to practice 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

For parent videos on our Maths methods, please click here



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History

We will learning about our local heroes through exploring different sources from the past. Our trip to Warwick Castle will help us explore how we can learn about the past in different ways as well as teach us about some of the heroes from the past.



Music

The Year 2 children have loved the music topics so far this year and our new topic on 'Myths and Legends' will be just as exciting! We will be listening to music centred around mythical animals like dragons and mermaids. We will then be creating our own musical pieces by layering music.



Science

Once we have completed our plants topic, our next topic will be 'Living things and their habitats'. We will be building on our prior learning by exploring how different habitats enable different animals to live. We will be learning more about food chains and how animals are adapted to each habitat.



Religious Education

In R.E this half term, we will be exploring the question 'How do some people talk to God?'. We will use stories, artefacts and images to help us explore how a range of religions answer this question.

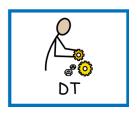


PE

This half term children will enjoy athletics and tennis. We are excited to showcase some of these skills at our upcoming sports day!



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DT

This half term we have a very fun topic where we will design, make and evaluate our very own fairground wheels. Some of the technical vocabulary we will use includes axle, tabs and design criteria.

Upcoming Dates

Mon - 2.6.25 - Children Return

Tue - 10.6.25 - Y2 Warwick Castle Trip Fri - 13.6.25 - FOPS Special Man Staff

Tue - 24.6.25 - EYFS / KS1 Sports Day (9:00 - 11:30)

Fri - 11.7.25 - PORTFEST

Tue - 22.7.25 - Last Day of the Year

Wed - 23.7.25 - INSET Day

Additional Information

Fore more year group information, please visit the class pages on our website.

https://www.portfieldsprimaryschool.org/children/class-pages

