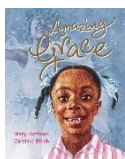
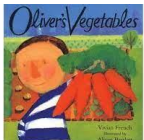
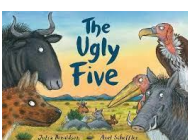




Year 2 Curriculum Overview for Parents

Spring 1 2023

What will your child be learning this half term?

Guided Reading – This half term we will be reading ‘Amazing Grace’ by Mary Hoffman, ‘Oliver’s Vegetables’ by Vivian French and ‘The Ugly Five’ by Julia Donaldson, together in class. We will be continuing to develop our comprehension skills by focusing on Vocabulary, Inference, Prediction, Explanation, Retrieval and Sequence.   	Religious Education (R.E.) – We will start our new half term learning about the celebration of ‘Christmas’. Children will reflect upon the journeys associated with the Christmas story and what these tell us about Jesus’ birth. We will then move onto the unit ‘Parables and miracles’ where children will learn about a range of miracles Jesus performed and the parables he told. We will finish the half term learning about ‘Special celebrations’ where children will understand the Liturgical year as a celebration of the life of Christ. The children will learn about Baptism and Marriage as special sacramental celebrations
Writing – During this half term, we will be reading the story ‘Meerkat Mail’ by Emily Gravett. Based on this text, children will write their own non-chronological report about meerkats as well as animal riddles. Later in the half term, we will be using a media clip for our writing focus. Children will use this to write a diary entry. 	Maths – To start our half term, children will be focusing on length where children will be measuring and comparing lengths using cm and m. We will then move onto ‘mass’ where children will measure and compare weights using g and kg. Children will then be introduced to fraction including $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$. They will be able to identify fraction as well as find fractions of amounts. Throughout the half term, children will be applying their knowledge of maths to solve a range of word problems.
Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar – Our focus for this half term is to embed what we have learnt so far using adjectives, conjunctions and suffixes confidently in our writing. We will be introducing apostrophes as well as working hard to use a range of time conjunctions and different sentence openers.	Mental Maths - This half term we will focus on: • Multiplication and division facts linked to the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. • Quick recall of addition and subtraction facts.
Geography - In Geography this half term we are continuing our learning about ‘Villages, Town and Cities’. We will be focusing on human and physical features in our local area. We will also be improving our map work skills. Children will be sketching their own map and thinking about what map symbols to use. Later in the half term we will be learning all about ‘Brazil’	Science – Our Science unit for this half term is ‘Human Lifestyle’. Children will explore different parts of the human body and their jobs. They will explore the importance of exercise and understand how we can eat a healthy diet. Children will find out what happens to our bodies as we get older.
Physical Education (P.E.) In PE this half term children will be studying Gymnastics with Mr Davies. Gymnastics will focus on children performing a variety of shapes, jumps and rolls demonstrating good body tension and	Personal, Social & Health Education (PSHE) – During PSHE this half term we will be focusing on: - British Values - How to show respect to other people. - How we all have different feelings, like and dislikes.

controlled movements. They will be learning how to link these actions together to create a sequence. Children will need their PE kit in school on Wednesday and Friday.	- How feelings and actions are different things. - How our choices have consequences. - The different stages of life of a human.
DT – During DT this half term, we will be making our very own healthy sensational salad. Children will learn all about where our food comes from and what we can eat for a healthy balanced diet. They will plan, make and then evaluate their salad.	Computing – During this half term, children will learn about programming. Children will develop their understanding of instructions in sequences and the use of logical reasoning to predict outcomes. Children will use given commands in different orders to investigate how the order affects the outcome. They will also learn about design in programming.
Music – Children will begin to learn composition skills to five notes on keyboard instruments, using a framework.	

Other Important Information
Parents Evening for Year 2 - Tuesday 7th February. Appointments will be available to book online nearer the time. Homework in Year 2 ● Children are expected to read every day for 15 - 20 minutes – please sign your child’s planner to show that this has been completed. ● Spellings will be put into planners and shared on the class page of the school website. Please help your child to learn these spellings at home. Spelling tests will take place on Fridays each week. ● Mental Maths – The focus for our mental maths each week will be put into planners and displayed on the class website page. Please help your child to practise at home. Mental Maths will take place on Wednesdays. We hope your child settles well into Year 2. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to one of us at the end of the school day or contact the school office to make an appointment- we are here to help. Miss Edwards, Mrs Dawes & Mrs Drew