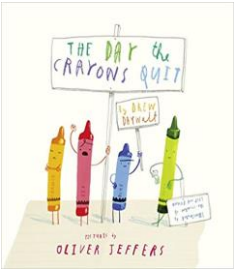




Year 2 Curriculum Overview for Parents

Summer 2 2023

What will your child be learning this half term?

Guided Reading – This half term we will be reading ‘Flat Stanley’ by Geff Brown, ‘Diary of a Killer Cat’ by Anne Fine and ‘The Enormous Crocodile’ by Roald Dahl, 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 half term by learning about ‘Our Church’ where children will develop their understanding of what it means to belong to God’s Family. We will focus on the roles of the parish and people with special responsibilities. Children will hear about the origins of the Church through the lives of the Apostles. To finish the school year, children will learn about ‘The Mass’ where they will develop their understanding of the structure of the Mass and what is taking place. We will focus on how we see Christ present when we gather, in the Word and in the Eucharist.
Writing – During this half term, we will be reading the story ‘The Day the Crayons Quit’ by Drew Daywalt. Based on this text, children will write a character description and a letter. 	Maths – During Maths this half term we will be learning about: • Volume • Picture Graphs • Four calculations – addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. • Word problems – applying our knowledge of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar – Our focus for this half term will be applying everything we have learnt throughout the year such as: • Expanded noun phrases • Similes • Apostrophes • Commas • Suffixes • Sentence types – question, exclamation, statement and command.	Mental Maths - This half term we will focus on: • 2, 5, 10 and 3 times table as well as the related division facts. • Quick recall of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division facts. • Counting forwards and backwards in steps of 2, 3, 5 and 10. • Missing number sentences
History - In History this half term, we are continuing our learning about ‘The Great Fire of London’. Children will learn about what life was like in the 17th Century. They will explore the causes of the Great Fire and create a timeline. Children will develop their historical enquiry using artefacts. They will	Science – Our Science unit for this half term is ‘Scientists’. Children will learn about a range of scientists and the work they do. These will include: • Katherine Johnson • Jane Goodall • Rachel Carson • Louis Pasteur

understanding the impact on & changes in London because of the fire.	Elizabeth Anderson
Physical Education (P.E.) In PE this half term, children will be attending swimming lessons at Darlaston swimming pool. In school, children will be doing Athletics. We will be developing recognised techniques for running, jumping and throwing to increase speed, agility and strength. Children will need their swimming kit in school on Tuesday. Children will need their PE kit in school on Friday.	Personal, Social & Health Education (PSHE) – During PSHE this half term we will be focusing on: - British Values - The concept of the Holy Trinity - The story of The Good Samaritan - Different communities we are part of locally and globally
French – <u>French playground games - numbers and age</u> During this half-term the children will learn to count in French from one to twelve, recognise the written number words, ask how old someone is and answer the same question, comparing sentence structures in French and English, and practising all the vocabulary by playing counting and some traditional French games.	Computing – During this half term, our computing unit is ‘Programming Quizzes’. Children will understand that sequences of commands have an outcome and make predictions based on their learning. They will use and modify designs to create their own quiz questions in ScratchJr.
Music – This half term children will sing and provide their own accompaniment to songs. Songs from throughout the year will be re-visited and improved using instrumental accompaniment and enhanced vocal skills.	DT In our DT lessons, children will be designing and making their very own car where they will explore and use mechanisms including wheels and axles. When children have made their final design, they will do an evaluation thinking about what worked well and what they would change.

Other Important Information
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. 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

