

ENGLISH

Reading is a huge focus for Year 2, and we will listen to children read regularly and question their understanding of texts so that they can start to use their comprehension skills within our reading lessons.

When children read it sparks their imagination and grows their vocabulary which children can then apply within their writing. We will write for a variety of purposes such as in History we will be writing a 'Wanted' description of Guy Fawkes and decide whether he is a hero or villain. We will create shape poems that use shape to enhance vocabulary choices for specific themes. Finally, we will be writing instructions on how to sew safely which will be a helpful guide for next year's Year 2s.

RE

We will be answering the big question;
What do Christians believe God is like?

We will look at God's relationship with humans through stories and parables from the Bible. We will start to look deeper into the meaning behind the parables that Jesus used to help people learn or understand his ideas and we will do this through drama, group work and quiet reflection.

HISTORY

We are going to be looking at two very different events from the Stuart period. We will start to look at The Gunpowder Plot and its significance in the introduction of Bonfire night in the UK calendar and then move onto the causes and effects of The Great Fire of London.

PSHE

We are going to start the term thinking about our hopes and fears for the upcoming year. Children will discuss their feelings and determine what we can do as a class to help each other through change.

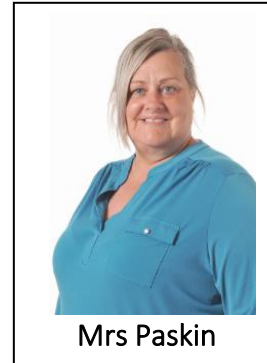
This will lead us to our rights and responsibilities and then rewards and consequences.



Miss Guy



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Mrs Paskin

Design & Technology

Puppets, Puppets, Puppets are the focus of our Design and Technology project this half term. We are even going to try our hand at sewing!



Wish us luck!

MUSIC



All the learning in this unit is focused around one song: **Hands, Feet and Heart** – a song that celebrates South African music. We will learn the words and beat to the song and work towards a performance.

SCIENCE



We are going to be working towards gaining our **Healthy Me** certificate. We will look at what we can do to stay safe and happy, understand that exercise is good for us and what kind of foods help us to stay healthy.

MATHS

We will be starting year 2 by reading and writing numbers to 100. We will use facts to 20 to create maths stories. We will then begin to calculate vertical addition and subtraction maths stories, leading on to tricky columns.

Year 2 will then calculate addition stories using $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$. Finally, we will calculate maths stories with the use of money.

We will continue to use reasoning in all maths lessons so that children develop their reasoning and problem-solving skills within different contexts.

COMPUTING

This unit will give step-by-step guidance on using Scratch Jr which is a programming app. We will become astronauts and program a sprite to move around the planets.

INFORMATION

Our PE day is **Monday** and the children will continue to come into school in their PE kit for the whole day.

Please remember to remove all jewellery before entering school on PE day.

Reading books will be changed regularly so please make sure that your child brings their reading book and Reading Record to school every day.

Welcome Meeting

Our Welcome to Year 2 meeting will be held at 3:30 on Tuesday 10th September in the Year 2 classroom.