



Curriculum Overview

Class 2 - Autumn 21



Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you have all had a fantastic summer break and are ready for the new school year.

Below is an overview of some of the learning that will take place this term. The learning in Class 2 is of a rapid approach, therefore please try to ensure your child is in school on time each day and absences are kept to a minimum.

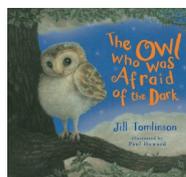
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask!

Thank you in advance for your support,

English

We will have a daily phonic session, to help children continue to build up their blending and sight reading. Weekly shared and guided reading opportunities will also help develop children's understanding and comprehension skills.

Our first texts will be 'The Owl Who is Afraid of the Dark' and 'Owl Babies'. We will write for several purposes including, caption writing and labels, character descriptions, letters, diaries and stories. We will study non-fiction texts based on nocturnal animals, where we will write instructions and non-chronological reports and we will explore animal poetry.



Maths

During the Autumn term we will be focusing on counting and developing our place value skills further. Y1 will be working within 50 and Y2 within 100. We will be learning different strategies to add and subtract, as well as, look at the value of different coins and problem solving with money. Y2 will begin to look at multiplication starting with $\times 10$ and $\times 2$.



Computing

As part of our computing topic, children will learn how to access and use a range word processing programs. They will develop their keyboard skill, learn how to change font type, size and colour and how to insert images. Children will also learn how to save and retrieve their own work.

They will be able to create simple algorithms to enable BeeBot robots to move. E-safety this term will focus on how devices can be used to communicate with others and how this is done safely.

RE

We will begin the term studying the 'Creation story' and learning about how God made the world. We will move on to learning about different signs and symbols within the sacrament of Baptism and then learn about how Christians prepare to remember the birth of Jesus.



Science

As part of our 'Animals including Humans topic' children will be learning about animal young and their life cycles, different animal types, diets, bones in the human body and how to lead a healthy lifestyle.



Art and Design



In art we will be learning about primary and secondary colours and exploring how different shades and tones can be created. We will use different media including pencils, pastels and paints. We will study and recreate some famous artwork from Kandinsky. In DT we will be looking at healthy eating and will make a vegetable soup.

Geography and History

To start the term, we will be studying our local area as part of our Geography unit of work. We will be looking at features in Horden, developing our map skills using Google Maps and looking at different types of housing and travel. In History we will be learning about timelines and we will start by plotting some of our own life events on to a timeline. We will explore family trees and then look at what childhood was like when our parents and grandparents were younger by studying 1970—2000. We will then compare life then to present day.



PE



This term our PE will focus on developing a range of multi-skills by looking at moving in different ways, balancing, throwing and catching. We will also learn to play a game called Rollaball. In gymnastics we will be looking at making different shapes with our bodies and we will also create a dance by moving to represent different animals.

Music



Miss Parker will continue with Music lessons this year. The children will develop their singing technique – learning some fun new songs linked to our topics. Children are also continuing to develop their knowledge of reading pieces of music and Y2 will begin to learn to play the oca-

Homework and Reading

Homework for Class 2 will return to weekly pieces sent home in homework books, rather than uploaded via Teams. This will usually include spellings, Wednesday Word, an English task and a maths task. On occasion there could be homework linked to our topics or a project that will take place over a few weeks. Homework will continue to be set on a Wednesday and it should be returned the following Monday. Reading books will be changed on a weekly basis and children should try to read a little each night. We aim to read with each child at least once over the course of the week and therefore books should be brought into school every day. Please note that children are also heard reading during phonics everyday and during guided and whole class reading sessions. For reading and homework, children will receive raffle tickets which enable them more opportunities to win prizes.