

# Year 2 Summer Term 1

## Curriculum Map

### Phonics & Spellings

Our daily Phonics/Spelling Shed and Group Guided Reading sessions will continue every morning. Please continue to read x3 a week and practise reading and spellings at home.

### English

In our first unit, based on the story 'The Magic Paintbrush' by Julia Donaldson, the children discover a magic paintbrush and are asked what they would paint with it. In the story, they meet Shen, who overcomes a greedy Emperor who sets his dragon upon her. The children create their own dragon-like monsters through playing Mix and Match Monsters and describe their monsters using noun phrases. They then write an own-version narrative by changing the items that their main character paints and include their own monster that the main character overcomes. They will be introduced to time adverbials to help structure their story writing.

We will then move onto a non-fiction book, 'China' by Leonie Pratt, where we will develop our information retrieval skills by answering questions, finding facts and ultimately writing our own information booklet about China.

### Maths

In Maths, we continue with our unit, 'Introduction to Multiplication', by using the 2, 5 and 10 times tables to help us solve problems. We explore halving and doubling, and the relationship between the two concepts. This unit will prepare and lead us into a unit called 'Introduction to Division Structures' in the next half term.

With Mrs Berry, the children will finish their unit on 'Time', before moving onto 'Money'. Within this, the children will recognise and use symbols for pounds and pence; combine amounts to make a particular value; find different combinations of coins that equal the same amount and solve simple problems in a practical context involving addition and subtraction of money, including giving change.



### Geography

Our big question in Geography this half term is 'What is it like to live in Shanghai?' Within this unit, we will be locating Shanghai on a world map, exploring its country and continent (whilst recapping our own). We will explore the physical and human features in Shanghai and consider how they differ from our own local area. We will also have a go at learning some Mandarin too!

### Science & Computing

In Science, our unit this half term is 'Uses of Everyday Materials' - building on our learning from our last materials unit in Spring 1. Within this unit, we be testing the suitability of different materials through lots of practical investigations. Our LOTC day with Mr Wedderkopp will see us building waterproof boats using natural, decomposable materials to test in a stream.

In Computing, we will be continuing our learning about staying safe online. We will also be learning about spreadsheets, adding images to spreadsheets, calculating totals and creating tables/ charts.

### Art

In Art with Mrs Phillips, the children will be exploring abstract art in the form of architecture including the architect Hundertwasser and creating 3D art forms.

### Music & PE

In Music this half term with Mrs Berry, the children will learn how to play the ocarina!

In PE, with Mr Wagemans, the children will take part in athletics activities, preparing for the upcoming whole-school Sport's Day. With Mr Jones, the children will enjoy a the unit 'Run, Jump Throw'.

### RE

In RE, the children will learn about the religion of Islam, with the big question 'How important is the prophet Muhammad to Muslims?'

