

Year 2 Autumn Term 2

Curriculum Map

Phonics

Our daily Phonics/Spelling Shed and Group Guided Reading sessions will continue every morning. Please continue to read x4 a week and practise reading and spellings at home.

English

This term, we will explore the story 'Martha Maps It Out' by Leigh Hodgkinson. In this unit, the children will extend their sentences with a range of conjunctions including 'because', 'when', 'if', and 'that', and will write clear, descriptive paragraphs using accurate punctuation. Through discussion and shared writing, they will justify their ideas, compare different conjunctions, and consider how each one changes meaning. The unit will conclude with pupils planning and writing about their own imaginative "Map of My World," showcasing their creativity, independence and growing confidence as writers.

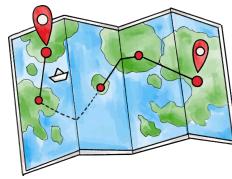
As we move closer to Christmas, our final core text is 'The Snowman' by Raymond Briggs, where the children will move to music, sing, dance and retell the adventure story, giving words to the narrative of this classic wordless picture book.

Maths

In Maths this half term, we will finish off the unit; 'Numbers 10 to 100', before moving on to 'Calculations within 20', where the children will learn to add and subtract efficiently using strategies such as making ten and bridging through ten. They will compare quantities, find differences, and apply their understanding to solve problems using pictograms and bar charts. With Mrs Carter, who teaches 'Shape, Space and Measure' units on a Monday, the children will continue to focus on Shape; exploring the properties of 3d shapes and investigating how we can build them using 2d nets.

Music and Design & Technology

In Music with Mrs Berry, we will be getting ready for the Nativity! In D&T with Mrs Phillips, we will be making slider mechanisms in the form of a game.



Geography

Our big question this half term is: Where Am I? The children will learn that the UK is made up of four countries and identify which country and local area they live in. They will explore features of Crowcombe village, learning that maps and aerial photographs show these features from above. They will use directional language, symbols and simple sketch maps to describe where things are and how to get from one place to another. They will also think about how different places in school make them feel, helping them to connect personal experiences with their understanding of place.

Science

Our unit this half term is Living Things: Habitats. The children will explore what it means to be alive by identifying the life processes that all living things share. They will recognise the difference between things that are alive, were once alive, or have never been alive. They will investigate a variety of habitats, learning how plants and animals depend on each other for food and shelter. We will research woodland, rainforest, and ocean habitats, classify living things, and build simple food chains to show how energy is passed from producers to predators.

Computing

This half term we will be exploring the topics of Lego builders and technology outside of school. In Lego builders, we will learn about algorithms. We will learn about how to follow and create instructions on the computer and consider the order of instructions. In our topic Tech outside of school, we will be exploring what technology is and how it is used outside of the school environment. Throughout our topics we will also be learning about how to stay safe online.



RE, PSHE and PE

In PE with Miss Storey, the children will be focusing on fundamental movement skills; exploring speed, agility and travel through games and challenges.

In PSHE, the theme for this half term is Valuing Difference. We will be thinking about what makes us similar and different and how we are all unique. We will think about how our actions might make other people feel and how we can resolve disagreements. In RE, we will focussing on the question 'Why do Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world?' We will be thinking about the story in the Bible as well as investigating what Christmas looks like around the world.