

Kiwi Primary School

CURRICULUM INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

YEAR 2
Term 5
2024

What is a Monarch?



Welcome to Year 2

We hope everybody had a good Easter break and have returned fresh and rested for the new term.

Homework

We will continue to focus on reading for our homework. We have now fully implemented our e-books for you to access at home. Your child will have come home with a log in and password for the website. A new book will be added each week, after your child has read three times in class. If you can not access the site and would prefer a physical book, please see your child's teacher where you will need to sign an agreement. We do ask that these are in school every day though, as we only have limited copies.

P.E

Our PE this term will change to Wednesday afternoon and will hopefully take place outside now the weather is getting drier. Please ensure your child has an outdoor PE kit in school, with a change of footwear. We will send it home at the end of the term.

Many thanks,

Mrs Moore and Miss Cullen

English

In English, we will continue to develop our Talk for Writing skills across different genres. We will begin the term by looking at story writing and focusing on the model text of *The Prince who Wrote Stories*. In our writing we will be looking at beginnings and endings of stories, punctuating speech, and using apostrophes. We will then move on to non fiction where we will look at an information report about a monarch. We will continue with daily phonics lessons, where the children will become familiar with alternative sounds and move on to reading with fluency. Our reading sessions take place across the week and children read their texts three times before bringing them home. We have switched to e-books and your child has a log on to our page where they can access their personal library.

Science

In Science this term, we will be looking at habitats and micro habitats. They will name plants and animals in a range of habitats and recognise how living things depend on each other. They will also discover that microhabitats provide what minibeasts need to survive.

Computing

The children will learn about storyboarding and simple animation creation using either tablet devices or devices with cameras.

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Explore levers, linkages and pivots through existing products and experimentation, use this research to construct and assemble a moving monster.

Maths

In Mathematics, we will further develop our number skills by looking at multiplication. The children will learn to count in steps of 2, 5 and 10. We will look at 'groups of' as well as arrays and problems involving multiplication.

History

Finding out the role of a monarch, children compare the monarchy today with the monarchy in the past. Pupils investigate how William the Conqueror became King and learn how he used castles to rule. They study different types of castles and consider how these evolved over time.

Religious Education

In RE this term we will be looking at the religion of Islam and thinking about the key question of 'Does going to the Mosque give Muslims a key sense of belonging?'

Music

In Music, the children will be creating sounds to represent three contrasting landscapes: seaside, countryside and city.

PSHE

This term's theme is 'Being My Best'. The children will learn to set goals and develop positive strategies to help us achieve our potential, through a growth mindset approach. We're also learning about how to take care of ourselves, physically – including good hygiene, healthy eating and sleep routines.

Enrichment Activities

The Thursday club will continue to run for children wanting to participate in extra-curricular activities.

Spring Term 2 2024 Year 2 Why is our world wonderful?



Physical Education

Our PE this term will be on Wednesday afternoons. The children will hopefully be outside so please provide alternative footwear as well as full PE kit to be kept in school.