

## Year 2: Autumn Term Curriculum Map

Children have settled well this term and have been busy learning many new skills. To help keep you informed of all the interesting things they are doing, please find a summary of key lesson content this half-term.

### **English:**

In our Literacy lessons children will be working on sentence structure through various media/stories. A focus will be on the correct use of grammar in their work.

### **RE, PSHE & P4C:**

This term, children will learn about Judaism including its origin and key religious festivals. They will also discuss their physical well-being and how to live in a healthy way.

### **PE:**

Children will be focussing on the game of football. Throughout the unit they will develop their ball control skills and learn to pass with greater accuracy. They will also practise indoor athletic skills, to learn about individual and team events.

### **Maths:**

In our Maths lessons children will be consolidating their number knowledge from Year 1 and developing their understanding of place value for 2 digit numbers.

### **The Arts:**

In Music pupils will be exploring how to keep a beat and follow rhythms. A presentation at Christmas will focus on the celebration of Christmas. This links to RE and will incorporate singing and storytelling. In Art and DT children will explore different skills based on our topic work.

### **Science:**

Children will be studying materials and their properties in order to identify the best material for a given purpose. They will be looking at how materials are changed through different processes, such as heating. The children will also be thinking about man-made and natural materials and how they are created.

### **Topic:**

Children will start by looking at different parts of the brain and how it functions. They will be studying how we learn and what makes us better learners.

Later in the term children will be learning about people from history. They will learn about explorers, inventors, royalty and much more!

### **ICT:**

Children will understand what algorithms are; how they are implemented as programs on digital devices, and that programs execute by following precise and unambiguous instructions. They will recognise common uses of information technology beyond school and learn to use technology safely and respectfully, keeping personal information private.

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### **Curriculum Organisation:**

Across the school, each year group's curriculum is based on the International Primary Curriculum, which focusses on a set of core values: communication, respect, co-operation, resilience, adaptability, morality and thoughtfulness. This helps us develop a more creative, meaningful and inspirational curriculum as we know that children learn best from having exciting challenges that nurture their creative abilities.

Maths, English and Science all follow a specific curriculum to help children develop key foundational skills. Whenever possible, children are given opportunities to develop their investigative skills within these lessons.

### **Additional Year Group Information:**

**PE:** One PE lesson will be held in the afternoons as follows: **2B:** Thursday **2F:** Tuesday **2M:** Monday **2W:** Wednesday

An additional lesson will be held during one of your child's literacy lessons in the morning. It is recommended that the PE kit is brought in on Monday and taken home on Friday.

Please ensure your child has full PE kit (including a coat for those wet days). Children who do not have full PE kit will lose Good Day Tickets.

**Homework:** Handwriting and spelling practise daily, reading daily, Maths on Tuesday, Literacy on Friday.

**Rights & Respects:** We continue to discuss the impact of the UN rights of the child and use this to encourage children to reflect on their actions. Rights are listed as 'articles' and this term we shall focus on the right to be treated with respect and the right to work and play in a clean, tidy environment (articles 12 and 27).

### **Important Dates:**

Arts festival will take place in October. The theme this year is based around 'Technology and the Future'. Parents will be invited to come and observe the artwork during the week of the 9<sup>th</sup> October. Parent Interviews will take place on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December, times TBC.

Our learning presentation, linked to Christmas, is scheduled for Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at 9:15am. We look forward to seeing you there.