

Parent Information – Spring 2 2018/19 Curriculum Overview

Macaws and Parakeets – Year 2

English

In our English lessons this term we will cover a range of text types in our reading and our writing. We will be reading lots of well-known fairy tales. We will be doing lots of cross curricular writing, including writing diary entries in role as Rapunzel, a letter of complaint to the board of fairy tales and a fact file about castles.

In our phonics lessons, we will be continuing to follow the Read Write Inc programme. Children will be set in groups for this to allow them to work at a level which is appropriate to them. This will help children to learn all the sounds which they can then apply in their reading and our writing.

Maths

In maths this term we will cover a range of topics. We will begin the term by learning about addition and subtraction, including revising formal methods for these operations. Then we will be revising our multiplication and division facts for our 2, 3, 5 and 10 x tables. We will also be learning about statistics and measurement this term. Throughout the year we will also cover a range of mental maths skills including learning our times tables. It is important that by the end of year 2 children know their 2 x table, 3 x table, 5 x table and their 10 x table. Please support your children by helping them to learn these times tables at home.

ICT

In ICT children will be using the computers to support their maths work. All children will be competing in times tables rock stars! This will help in preparation for children's SATs in May.

PE

In PE with Sports Premier children will be taking part in a range of group invasion games to develop control, agility and good sportsmanship skills. Children will also be developing their gymnastic skills in lessons.

Topic

Our topic this term will focus on learning about famous castles, towers, tunnels and bridges. We will be focusing on our geographical skills of locating these structures around the world. Children will also be making their own castles, towers and bridges in class. We will be linking a lot of our learning this term to well-known fairy tales, such as Rapunzel, The 3 Little Pigs, and Billy Goats Gruff. In our history lessons we will also learn about some well-known engineers.

Towers, Tunnels and Turrets



PSHE/British Values

In PSHE lessons we will be focusing on how to keep ourselves safe. This will include how to stay safe at home and when we are out and about. We will also be learning about online safety.

RE

In RE we will be learning about the religious festival of Easter. This is a Christian festival and we will be learning about how and why people celebrate Easter each year.

Science

In our science lessons this term we will have a lot of fun investigating structures and discovering what shapes and materials make the most effective towers and bridges. Children will enjoy making structures out of a range of materials including Lego and other construction materials.

Trips & Events

This term we will be celebrating World Book Day. Children will be encouraged to bring their favourite story book to school and share it with a friend.

Music, Art and Design Technology.

In art we will be creating our own graffiti art! In our D and T lessons children will be working in groups to design and make a castle.