



Year Two – Explorers Spring Term 2019

Communication, Language and Literacy

This term we will be teaching the children how to write creatively using a number of different mediums to inspire them. We will also be finding out about authors and reading different stories, as well as using information texts and looking at their features. Children will be expected to write their own stories, recounts and news reports.

We will be developing speaking and listening skills through role play connected to our books and topics.

We will teach spelling, punctuation and grammar to help children improve their writing. Children will be expected to spell most of the Year 2 common exception words from memory. This term we will focus on using the apostrophe, adding es to nouns and verbs ending in y and adding ing, ed, er and est to root words ending in y. We will also continue to teach a range of reading strategies and comprehension skills.

It is very important that you continue to read to your child as well as listening to them read daily.



ICT

Children will learn how to give and follow directional instructions using bee bots. We will also learn about e-safety.



Mathematical Development



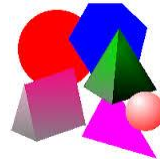
We will be teaching the children to develop a range of strategies to solve addition, subtraction, multiplication and division problems. We will also teach them to count in multiples of 2, 3, 5 and 10 from any given number.

The children will also be working with money, solving real life problems involving buying and giving change. **Please help your children develop this skill when you are out shopping.**



We will be continuing to teach the children to use measuring implements; rulers, scales and measuring jugs accurately.

In geometry we will be developing the concepts of shape and pattern including finding lines of symmetry in 2D shapes.



It is important the children are able to count in tens and ones, both forwards and backwards from any number up to 100

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

This term we will be looking at different materials and their properties. The children will investigate which fabric will make a bedroom dark and what we can use to make a teabag? The children will be asked to work independently and as part of a group to produce tables and charts to present their findings.



Humanities



In this half term we will be looking at where people travelled in the past. We will be thinking about famous sea explorers and the life of sailors. In particular we will be focusing on Christopher Columbus.

During the second half term we will be looking at rural landscapes and using basic geographical vocabulary to refer to the different features.

An educational visit to the Maritime museum to support our topic.

Creative development.

The children will be developing their art skills through drawing, sculpture and looking at famous sea pictures linked to our topic.



Physical development.

In gymnastics we will be developing our control and



coordination through travelling, jumping and landing. We will be applying our skills to make a sequence.

RE

We will be talking to the children about how Muslim people celebrate Eid and what happens during the month of Ramadan. We will also be looking at the meaning of Easter and the creation of new life.

We will also visit the Mosque.