

# Year 2 Curriculum Letter - Summer Half Term 1 - 2023

Our theme for Summer Term is:

## INTO THE WOODS!

Our main focus is:

- To understand the key features of a fiction text and explore characters, settings and exciting events.
- To understand healthy foods and why it is important to eat healthily.
- To investigate what a plant needs to survive and observe the conditions they grow in.

Our theme will last for:

6 weeks



### Art

We will be learning about how colour can be used in paintings to show different emotions and how we can use colour in our own pictures to portray emotions.

### Science

In Science, we will be learning about plants and investigating what they need to grow and to survive. We will be thinking about the different stages of plant growth and observe how plants in different conditions grow.



### P.E.

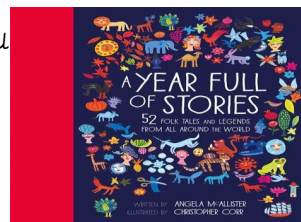
This term, we will be developing our team-work skills, working together towards a common goal and using our agility skills that we have learnt over the previous terms. We will also be beginning to choreograph our own dance routines following the growth of a plant. Please note P.E. days are Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure your child has full indoor and outdoor kit for the whole week. Thank you.



### English

This half-term, we will be listening to traditional tales from around the world and tales from other cultures.

Within this topic, the children will be writing a 2 part story based on Jack and the Beanstalk characters and settings. In their stories the children will be challenging themselves to use different sentence starters, conjunctions and expanded noun phrases. We cannot wait to read the children's own fairy-tale stories. To celebrate the King Charles' III coronation, we will be writing a recount of the event focussing on statement and exclamation sentences.



### Religious Education

As we continue our study of Hinduism, we will be looking at Hindu rites of passage, religious texts and developing our knowledge of Hindu places of worship.

### Computing

We will be understanding how to stay safe online, discuss who to talk to if we have problems online and showing this knowledge through drama.



### Music

This term, we will be using Charanga to learn and sing about friendship. We will also be using the Glockenspiel to play along with pieces of music.

### Shared home learning:

Please spend 15 minutes, as a minimum, reading with your child everyday. Children will also be going home with levelled reading books. Please use the reading journals to record reading at home to ensure your child receives their All Star Reading points which they can spend on super prizes! Weekly homework will also be set on Seesaw which includes a mixture of Maths., English and Spelling. We would love to see your child's work!

### Dates for your diary

First Aid Week: W/C 17th April  
R.E. day—24th April  
Orienteering Week 8.5.22

### Mathematics

As SATs will be happening during this half term, we will be revisiting key areas of development so the children are well prepared and learning gaps are covered. We will be covering topics within Maths. such as: reasoning with measure (time, money, shape and scales), the four operations (including missing number problems), fractions, one step and two step word problems and statistics.

A key area of focus will be on arithmetic so children can apply their knowledge and be confident solving problems.

We will also be practising our times tables as we are aiming to know our 2, 5, 10 and 3 times tables by the end of Year 2. Any practise at home will really help children to achieve this aim.

### Personal, Social and Health Education (P.S.H.E.)

This half term we will be learning about making healthy choices. We will be thinking about how we can eat healthily and exercise regularly.

### Behaviour and Safety

This half-term, we will be focusing on healthy living and how to ensure we are eating healthily. We will be trying to ensure we eat 5 pieces of fruit and vegetables everyday!



### No Outsiders

We will continue to use our fantastic 'No Outsiders' scheme of work and within this we will be studying the book 'Just Because' by Rebecca Elliot. We will be considering what makes us feel proud and celebrating difference.

SATs: W/C 15th May—23rd May  
Bank Holidays: 1st and 8th May

