


<p>English In English we are looking at the story of the Lonely Beast by Chris Judge We will be looking at fiction and non-fiction writing through letters, news reports, postcards, descriptive writing, and story writing. The children will be applying their year 2 grammar and punctuation knowledge to their writing. Our reading focus is designed to increase fluency and develop comprehension skills further.</p>	<p>Maths In Maths this term we will looking at addition and subtraction, focussing on using efficient methods and one and two step word problems. We will then move onto Money. To begin with the children will be identifying coins and notes, then the children will learn how to make specific amounts using pounds and pence and finding the correct amount. The children will learn how to calculate change. We will then move onto multiplication and division.</p>	
<p>History . The children will be exploring key historical disasters within the UK's past. To begin with we will look at Guy Fawkes, the plague and then the Great fire of London. The children will research and discuss the major events of the 17th Century. The children will look at when these events happened in history, as well as comparing life then to life now, in London. Finally, they will be introduced to significant people from the time periods, such as Guy Fawkes and Samuel Pepys.</p>	<p>Science This half term we will be continuing to look at the properties of materials and then move on to look at animals including humans and how they grow. The children will develop their independent thinking by asking simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways. They will also observe and explain their findings using scientific language</p>	<p>Geography In geography the children will be using atlases and maps to locate countries, continents, and oceans. They will have the opportunity to create their own maps and plot journeys onto these. The children will learn about positional and directional language and how to read a compass.</p>
<p>Art and Design Technology We are very excited to say the children will be designing and creating their own model sized boats to race in our boat race. The children will need to consider the suitability of materials and the size of the product. The boats will be tested to see whether they float or sink, and whether damage or water intake occurs. The children will also make a 17th century house. The children will work with a range of resources to explore portrait drawing, looking at portrait artists and then creating their own self portrait. The children will also use pastels to create a silhouette picture showing the Great Fire of London.</p>	<p>Spring Term 2022 Year 2 Dangers and Disasters</p> 	<p>Computing The children will be learning how to use a mouse and keyboard on a computer, we will be doing touch typing activities. The children will also progress in their coding skills as they complete activities using Purple Mash.</p>
<p>PSHE This term we are looking at keeping myself safe and rights and responsibilities.</p>	<p>RE This term children will be learning about Islam, specifically looking at prayer and places of worship and in Judaism we will be specifically looking at Passover.</p>	<p>MFL On Monday afternoons the children will have Spanish lessons with Senora Corrine. They will be learning how to say simple phrases in Spanish through songs, games, stories, and role play.</p>
<p>Home Learning We will change your child's reading books every Friday. Your child will be sent home with two books from school and one bug club book set online (please find your child's login details on the bookmark provided) per week. It is important that your child reads daily. Please sign your child's reading record every time that they read so we can tick their reading passport. Spellings for the term will be stuck in your child's homework book. A handwriting sheet with their spelling words on, will be stuck in their homework book weekly to help your child practise. Please read the top of the spelling sheet for instructions on the spelling homework.</p>	<p>Music Music specialist Ms Rabin will be taking the children's music lessons. They will be learning to play different percussion instruments in small groups looking at the pitch, rhythm, tempo and beat.</p>	<p>PE This term PE will take place on Mondays and Fridays. On Monday afternoon, the children are lucky enough to have PE with Munchkin sports coaches. Later in the term we will be working with the children on their gross motor skills, balancing ability, and core strength through gymnastics and dance. These may take place both indoors and outdoors so please provide kit appropriate for all weather conditions.</p>