



Class 1/2 Spring Term Overview 2024

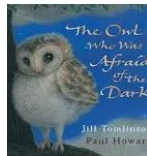
We had a fantastic first term in Year 1/2. We had lots of amazing learning opportunities including, measuring our school hall and lots of other objects around our classroom, learning to write instructions, learning all about the nativity and performing our own version of it! We also really enjoyed our DT and Art weeks and the children made lots of progress in their skills and understanding.

Please take a look at the fabulous learning that will take place next term-

English

Some of the books and texts we will look at this term are:

- The Koala who Could
- The Bear and the Piano
- The Heart and the Bottle
- The Twits
- The Owl Who was afraid of the Dark
- The Flower



These are really rich texts which help the children to explore and develop their emotional intelligence as well as their reading, writing and comprehension skills. We will be writing a selection of different genres, including character descriptions, setting descriptions and recounts. Our focus will be on developing sentence structure and punctuation accuracy as well as using descriptive vocabulary.

In spelling lessons, for Year 2, we will continue with our new spelling scheme from Little Wandle, working on the patterns kn, gn at the beginning and: ge, dge, le, il, al, el at the end of words. The rules: drop the e when adding ed, ing, er, est or y endings and swap the y for an i when adding es.

The year 1 children will continue to learn their spellings and phonics together in phonics lessons.

In guided reading we will continue to develop our comprehension skills and fluency both through Little Wandle and guided reading sessions for year 2.

Maths

Our overview of units of work we will be covering in maths are:-

Year 1:

- Subtracting within 10
- Extending knowledge of place value of numbers to 20
- Addition and subtraction within 20
- Place value to 50

Year 2:

- Add and subtract 1 and 2 digit numbers to and from 2 digit numbers, including crossing through 10
- Addition and subtraction problems in contexts
- Using the inverse operation to calculate missing numbers
- recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables, including recognising odd and even numbers
- use the multiplication (x), division (÷) and equals (=) signs
- show that multiplication of 2 numbers can be done in any order
- solve problems involving multiplication and division

Measure

- choose and use appropriate standard units to estimate and measure temperature (°C) in year 2 as well as learning about time and money.
- Year 1 will be learning to tell the time to o'clock and half and year 2 will learn to tell the time to o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to.
- Year 1 will learn about the different types of coins and get used to using them and Year 2 will learn about coins and notes and learn how to work out change.

PE

- PE will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays as well as Forest school on Wednesday afternoons.
- Children will need to come to school in full school PE kit on these days.
- We will be developing our knowledge of working in teams (fundamental skills).
- We will also be learning dance with the themes of sports and countries



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We will be exploring different religions. Answering the question 'What do Muslims believe?'



and thinking about why Easter matters to Christians.

Wider Curriculum

- In Art we will learn about Collage looking at real artist's work.
- In history, we will be looking at how was school different in the past.
- In Geography, we will be investigating whether we'd like to live in a hot or a cold place.
- In Science, we will be looking at habitats and how different animals are adapted to their habitats and food chains. After half term we will learn about plants.
- In IT we will be learning to make digital pictures and programming beebots
- We will continuously learn and use new vocabulary.
- We will continue to follow 'The Colwich Way' helping us to be the best learners we can be!
- We will be learning how we can help others in PSHE and taking part in Children's Mental Health Week activities.



Useful websites

- <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?AgeGroup=2&p=1> - there are a wide range of games appropriate for Year 1 and 2.
- <https://www.ictgames.com/> ICT Games has both Maths and English games, some of these are great for using on a tablet.
- <https://www.ttrockstars.com> Fantastic for helping to learn our X tables (keep an eye out for class battles set to do at home!)

How to support your child at home

Reading and homework expectations:

- Read every night with your child, encouraging them to read aloud.
- Sign your child's reading record at least once a week
- Send your child's book into school every day as children will be heard during the week at different times.
- Help your child to practice the next 5 words from their spelling passport on a weekly basis for testing on Fridays.
- Help your child to practise the 2, 5 and 10 times tables as well as the key number facts to learn off by heart in each year group.

Other ideas:

- We will post each week on Class Dojo to tell you all about our learning.