Year 2 (Autumn 2) Curriculum Overview

Reading

This half term, our reading text will be Little Red by Lynn Roberts. This is a traditional fairy tale, but with a twist! We will use to text each day to practise retrieval, vocabulary, inference, explanation and summarising.
Daily phonics lessons will continue & reading of 'Little Wandle' levelled reading texts within school.
Please continue to read this regularly also at home.

Writing

Pupils will begin the half term by exploring the features on non-chronological reports. They will then conduct their own research and produce an independent report based on minibeasts of their choice (linking to our science topics so far this year).
Pupils will then write a short narrative linked to the text 'Little Red'. Followed by creating wanted posters for the wolf & then using these skills to make a Christmas themed wanted poster.

Maths

The primary focus this half term will be addition and subtraction. Last half term our focus was place value to prepare us for this unit. Children will develop their addition and subtraction skills, using practical resources, pictures and mental methods to solve problems. They will practise recalling number facts to 20 and use these to work with numbers up to 100, including adding and subtracting 1s, 10s and two-digit numbers. They will also explore the relationship between addition and subtraction, using inverse operations to check their answers and solve missing number problems.

Science

Our Science unit this half term is called 'Animals, including humans'.
Children will be learning about animals, including humans, and how offspring grow and develop into adults. They will also explore what humans and animals need to survive, including food, water and air, and learn about the importance of exercise, a balanced diet and good hygiene.

Geography

Pupils will focus on topic 'My local area and Tulum, Mexico'.
Children will use atlases and globes to explore the seven continents, five oceans and countries of the world, including the UK and its capital cities. They will develop their map and fieldwork skills by exploring our school grounds and local area, before comparing its human and physical features with Tulum, Mexico.

PSHE

This half term, pupils will continue to focus on citizenship, relationships and heath & wellbeing.

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RE

This half term's key question is:

What is the good news Christians believe Jesus brings?

PE

This half term, pupils will focus on 'linking' in gymnastics sessions.

Each week, we will focus on movements and balances on the floor and on apparatus. They will be challenged to create a sequence of movements that link together.

Computing

Pupils will continue to develop their understanding of what information technology is and will begin to identify examples. We will discuss where they have seen IT in school and beyond. They will investigate how IT improves our world whilst also recognising the importance of using IT responsibly.

Music

Our Music lessons will focus on a unit called
'Hands, feet and heart'.

We will also be preparing for our Christmas performance – learning a range of songs.

French

In French, children will learn and apply vocabulary and sentence structures.

Internet Safety

Pupils will dicsuss online relationships and communication online.

They will be able to give examples of how someone might use technology to communicate with others they don't know offline & explain why this might be risky. (e.g. email, online gaming, a pen-pal in another school / country).