

### Reading

We are reading a range of exciting books this half term. This will involve 1-to-1 reading, phonics activities, focusing on answering comprehension questions about a variety of books and reading for pleasure in our lovely reading room.

### Writing

We are studying the book called 'The Pirates Next Door' by Jonny Duddle. We will be developing a range of writing skills through the teaching of SPaG and an understanding of different writing genres. Some of our writing outcomes will be: character descriptions, formal letters, diary writing and newspaper reports.

### Science

This half term we will continue to learn about the 'Uses of everyday materials.' We will be investigating which materials are waterproof and which materials are absorbent. We will then use this knowledge to help us decide which materials we would like to use when making our very own boat. Whose will float on the water?

### Meet the Team!

Team Leader: Lucinda

Teaching Staff: Lucinda, Suraiya and Gwen

Support Staff: Rukia, Pam and Lydia

## Pesky Pirates



Year 2

Spring 2 2022



### Mathematics

During this half term we will be revisiting multiplication and division. We will be focusing on how to carefully use our jottings to help us work out an answer. As well as this, we will be having lots of fun exploring statistics, shape, fractions and measurement. We will also continue our weekly arithmetic sessions where we get to complete a mathematical investigation too.

### Geography

In Geography, we will be developing our map skills. We will find out what maps are and different ways they are used. We will explore aerial views and identify some different locations based on an aerial photograph. We will then go on to use symbols and keys of our own as we study our local area.

### Supporting Your Child's Learning

Please continue to read with your child on a daily basis. Reading records need to be signed at least 5 times in a week. If over 90% of the class have read 5 times a week then they will receive extra play.

Please log on to your child's Mathletics, TTRS and spag.com using their login details in their reading records.

Spelling Tests take place every Thursday. It is important that the children learn their spelling words from MS Teams as this will really help with their reading and writing.

Please check the Spring 2 Home Learning assignment on MS Teams which is the project homework for this half term.

### PE

Year 2 will have PE on **Wednesday** and Dance on **Thursday**. Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing a PE uniform on these days. This term, we will be developing multi skills.



### RE

In RE, we will be learning about Christianity. We will check in with what we already know... and then extend our understanding via story, investigation and an Easter focus.

### Dance

In dance, this term we will explore movement to communicate the theme of pirates.



### DT

In D.T this term, we will be working towards an outcome of making a pop up pirate card using different mechanisms and levers. We will be making different components for our card each week.

### Art

The Art studio is transforming into a centre of ceramics for this term. We will be exploring texture in the natural world through clay and learning about the work of Kate Malone and Courtney Mattison.

### Music

This half term, we will learn some sea shanties and play rhythms using body percussion.

### PSHE

During our PSHE sessions we will be discussing the topic 'Healthy Lifestyles'. We will look in detail at how we can keep our minds and bodies healthy. We will also explore how to make healthy choices in our lives too.



### Computing

This half term, Year 2 will be exploring Pictograms. We will be understanding the importance of organising data effectively for counting. Also, we will be creating pictograms using a computer to present our data.