

Reading

During our whole class reading lessons, we will continue to focus on books linked to our topic. We will be developing our comprehension skills using VIPERS: vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval and sequencing. Using these skills, we will then answer questions about what we have read in order to deepen our understanding and comprehension of the text.

Writing

This half term we will be 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 include: 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. We will then use this knowledge to help us decide which materials to encourage the Jolly Rogers to use when fixing their boat.

Meet the Team!

Team Leader: Suraiya

Teaching Staff: Shanae, Suraiya and Vivian

Support Staff: Heather, Janira, Lakisha, Lia, Maria and Sarah

Pesky Pirates



Year 2

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Mathematics

During this half term will be having lots of fun exploring statistics, shape, fractions and measurement. We will also continue our weekly arithmetic sessions where the children will 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.

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.

PE

Year 2 will have PE on **Thursday** and **Dance** on **Tuesday**. Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing a PE kit on these days.
In PE this half term we will be playing tennis with a focus on using a racket.

Dance

In dance, this term we will explore movements to communicate the theme of City Life. We will learn abstract motifs and use vocabulary to explore dance making.

Art

This term the children will be immersing themselves in the role of sculptor. We will be experimenting with a variety of different modelling materials and creating prototype sculptures. This year we will be entering the children's sculptures into the forth plinth schools sculpture competition which you can learn more about here:

<https://www.london.gov.uk/programmes-strategies/arts-and-culture/current-culture-projects/fourth-plinth-traffic-square/fourth-plinth-schools-awards-2024>

Supporting Your Child's Learning

Please continue to read with your child on a daily basis: both their reading book we have sent home as well as other books. Why not have a go at completing super interactive online games? Your child has a login for SPAG.com, Times Table Rockstars and Mathletics to keep them busy.



RE

In RE, we will be looking at the use of symbols during the Easter celebration within the Christian faith. We will also be discussing the month of Ramadan which takes place this half term.

DT

In D.T this half term, we will be investigating different materials. We will be working towards making a final product of a boat! After learning all about different materials and their properties, we hope that we can select and make a boat that floats and does not sink!

Music

The children will continue to play pieces from different genres using B, A & G. They will read rhythms containing semibreves, minims, dotted minims, crotchets, quavers & semi quavers. They will learn how to use dynamics when playing.

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.