

### 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 our core text will be 'The Pirates Next Door' by Jonny Duddle. We will have lots of fun creating our very own wanted posters for those naughty, pesky pirates who are causing havoc in Dull-on-Sea. As well as that, we will also be writing a letter of complaint and our very own newspaper report.

### Science

This half term we will be continuing to learn all 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: Eliza, Shanae and Suraiya

Support Staff: Aaliyah & Kisha

## Pesky Pirates



# Year 2

## Spring 2 2025



### Mathematics

During this half term we will be exploring measure. As part of this, we will be comparing and ordering lengths and heights. Later on in the half term we will also be learning all about mass, capacity and temperature in different contexts.

### 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 **Monday** and **Dance** on **Wednesday**. Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing a PE kit on these days.

In PE this half term we will be playing net games.



### Dance

In dance, this term we will explore dance and graphic sign to communicate shapes and pathways. We will learn and develop motifs and use vocabulary to explore dance making inspired by treasure maps, pirate ships and rework a pirate jig.

### Art

We are exploring sculpture in the Art room this term, applying our mathematical knowledge to compare 2D and 3D shapes and making measurements. We will be exploring the work of Yinka Shonibare which is about cultural identity.



### 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 continuing to learn all about Christianity. This half term, we will be focusing on the Easter story and the resurrection of Jesus. We will also be discussing the month of Ramadan which takes place this half term.

### DT

In D.T this half term, we will investigating different materials and will be working towards making a final product of a boat! Our focus will be to make the boat waterproof and able to float so that the Jolly Rogers are able to fix their boat with the materials we recommend.

### 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.