

Spring 2025 – Curriculum news

January 2025

We hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas, a well-deserved break and are ready for another term! We will kick-start our term with a history focus on significant people with a detailed study on Mary Anning and Sir David Attenborough. In Art, we will be exploring print making and textiles. PSHE will be taught weekly and will focus on dreams and goals. Speaking and listening will be a central aspect of this subject. In Geography, the children will be learning about the UK countries and cities within these. RE will be taught weekly and the children will be learning about Christianity – Jesus as a friend. In Science, we will be learning all about materials and their properties. We will develop our nutritional knowledge and explore healthy eating through our DT unit. In computing, the children will be learning about staying safe online and how to use digital resources to draw.

Year 2 staff

Mrs Richards
Italy class teacher

Miss Gardner
India class teacher

Miss Hammond & Mrs Hughes
Israel class teacher

Mr Moloney
Student teacher

Mrs Cunningham & Mrs Howard
Learning support assistants



Reading

We will continue with our three reading sessions each week. This is proving to be fantastic for the children's fluency and their confidence in reading is exceptional.

Please can you continue to record any reading completed at home in your child's reading record. This may be their library book, school book or something from home.



Mathematics

Children will explore division and multiplication during the Spring Term. Please continue to practise the 2x, 5x, 10x and 3x tables at home. We will continue to look at shape, understanding the difference between 2D and 3D shapes and then look at money, finding change and counting amounts. Following this we will look at fractions, using our understanding of division to highlight the importance of equal groups.



English

In English this term we will learn the features needed to write a successful recount of a personal experience and a narrative linked to other stories. We will also revisit important features which will provide our children with the tools needed to write a character description, an informal letter and a poem.



Rainbow Challenges

Research 5 interesting facts about Sir David Attenborough or Mary Anning.

Design and make a healthy meal for your family

Create a leaflet about how to stay healthy

Investigate the life cycle of different animals and record what you find

Make a garden of goals- what do you wish to achieve?

Research animals with super powers – what will you discover?

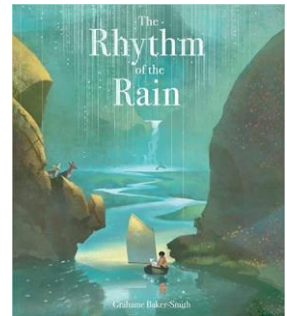
Write a book review about a book you have enjoyed with someone.



PE

PE will be on Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays. Please ensure your child arrives at school in **their correct PE kit on these days**. A warm tracksuit will be needed for outdoor PE, shorts for indoor PE, long hair must be tied up and earrings need to be removed for safety reasons.

Recommended read



'The Rhythm of the Rain' by Grahame Baker-Smith is a beautifully illustrated story book which celebrates the remarkable movement of water across Earth.



Home learning

Home learning will continue to be set on Fridays. Your child will be given 1 maths, reading or English task per week to complete on Showbie. This is related to learning in the classroom. It will be set on a Friday and due in the following Wednesday.

Children will have a new set of spellings to learn every week related to the spelling rule being taught in class; these will be accessible on Showbie. These will be tested each Friday.