

Autumn 2019 – Termly Topic Update



September 2019

We hope you have all had a wonderful summer, a well-deserved rest and are ready for another busy year! We also look forward to hearing about what the children's Paddington bears got up to over the holiday!

We are really excited about Year 2's topic this term... 'Lost in London'. The children have already kicked off their learning with a day of Paddington bear challenges and are excited to learn about London, past and present. All of our learning will be in preparation for our very own 'London Tour, where the children will showcase what they have learnt this term. We cannot wait to see you there!

English

Children will be exploring different genres within our topic, to include retrieving information from non-fiction texts to write a detailed report about London, writing a traditional tale of a wolf blowing down famous landmarks and a detailed newspaper report on Guy Fawkes.

Reading

Children will have their colour-banded books changed three times a week. Please make a note in your child's reading log when you have listened to them read. Children will also have class reading sessions four times a week, focusing on a class text.

Mathematics

Children will explore number and place value this term, working with numbers with up to 100. We will use concrete resources to help their understanding before moving onto problem solving activities to further their understanding of the number system. Formal methods, such as the empty number line, will be used for addition and subtraction. In Year 2, children are expected to know their 2's, 5's, 10's and 3 times table, so any practise of these at home would be greatly appreciated.

Home Learning



Rainbow Challenges

- Make your own 3D London landmark**
- Design and make a healthy packed lunch for Paddington Bear**
- Can you design a map / route for Paddington Bear through your home?**
- Investigate the best material for a waterproof jacket for Paddington Bear**
- Create a tally chart by asking family and friends their favourite city in the UK**
- Can you create a travel guide for somewhere you have visited?**
- Research key facts about the capital cities in the UK**

PE

PE will be on Tuesday and Friday. Please make sure your child has their kit in school with them at all times. 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.

Year 2 staff

Mrs Worley
Lavender class teacher

Mrs Loftus
Poppy class teacher

Mrs Loker-Steele
Mrs Lynn Anders
Learning Support Assistants

Miss Chapman
Miss Morgan
Student teachers

Autumn Term Key dates

Meet the teacher

Thursday 19th September
3.45 – 4.15pm

SATS Parent Information Session

Tuesday 1st October
3.30 – 4pm or 5.30 – 6pm

WOW Wednesday

9th October

Forest Schools

Friday 11th October

Parents Evening

Week beginning 14th October

Half Term

Week beginning 21st October

Future date - Theatre Trip

Wednesday 8th January

Parent Partnership Opportunities

London Tour Bus

Tuesday 3rd December 2.30pm
in classrooms

Winter Production

Tuesday 17th December
2.30pm and 5.30pm