

Year 2 Summer 2 Learning Bulletin

We are really excited for our last term in Year 2 and for the exciting learning it will bring. The children will travel back in time to the Tudor period in History, explore new themes of hope, determination and courage in English, and investigate new projects and functions in DT.



Writing Focus:

Book: The Bear and the Piano by David Litchfield

Outcome: Narrative

Key Knowledge and Skills:

- Formation of adjectives using suffixes such as -ful, -less
- Apostrophes to mark singular possession in nouns [for example, the girl's name]

Book: Speak Up by Nathan Bryon

Outcome: Persuasive speech

Key Knowledge and Skills:

- Exclamation sentences
- Commas to separate items in a list
- Apostrophes for contraction
- Use the present tense correctly and consistently

Outcome: Hampton Court recount

Key Knowledge and Skills:

- Use a range of conjunctions to extend sentences: co-ordination (and, but, or) and subordination (because, when, if, that)
- Use adverbs of time (first, next, after that, finally, later on) to sequence events clearly



Maths

Statistics: Make tally charts, tables, block diagrams, draw pictograms (1-1), interpret pictograms (1-1), draw pictograms (2, 5 and 10), interpret pictograms (2, 5 and 10)

Position & Direction: Language of position, describe movement, describe turns, describe movement and turns, describe shape patterns with turns.

Maths Vocabulary

Statistics:

information, data
tally gate chart table
block diagram
pictogram, key

Position & Direction:

left, right, above,
below, between up,
down forwards,
backwards turn full,
half, quarter, three-
quarter

Science: Materials

Key Knowledge:

- Know that different materials have different properties (e.g. rigid, waterproof, transparent).
- Know that materials are chosen for specific purposes based on their properties.
- Know that some objects can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting, and stretching.
- Know the difference between natural and man-made materials.
- Know about inventors who changed how materials are used (e.g. Macintosh, Dunlop, McAdam).

Key Vocabulary: squash, twist, bend, stretch, malleable, translucent, flexible, rigid, natural, man-made

History: Local history: Royal Richmond

Key Knowledge:

- Tudor Monarchs ruled for almost 200 years in the past
- Richmond was very different during the Tudor period
- In our local area, there are many Tudor houses and palaces (most found close to the River Thames)
- monarchs, like Henry VIII, lived luxurious lives in their palaces (such Richmond Palace and Hampton Court)
- Richmond Park is a Royal Park and was created during the Tudor period for leisure

Key Vocabulary: Royal, palace, river, transport, estate, leisure, servant, Tudor

PSHE: Changing me

Key Knowledge:

- Knowing that changes to my body are out of my control
- Knowing where I am on the continuum from young to old
- Know the names of the boys and girls body parts (penis, testicles, vagina, vulva, anus) and that these are private
- Review consent
- Know how to positively approach change (Year 2 to Year 3)

Key vocabulary: control, fully grown, respect, appearance, physical, toddler, teenager, independent, timeline, freedom, responsibilities, public, private, acceptable, unacceptable, comfortable, uncomfortable

DT: Wacky Windmills

Key Knowledge:

- Windmills are structures that convert the wind speed into power
- Describe the features of a windmill
- Understand that some materials are stronger than others and can be joined together to construct a base
- Understand that some materials are better to catch the wind
- Explain how to make a structure spin on an axis
- Encourage children to evaluate if there is anything they could do to make their windmill better

Key Vocabulary: windmill, structure, base, features, axis, evaluate

RE: What does it mean to be Hindu?

Key knowledge:

Living the faith

- Hindus have rules/values, and that they believe in the God Brahman

- Name a Hindu god and goddess

Buildings and places of worship

- The Mandir is a Hindu place of worship

Important times, days, festivals and celebrations

- Describe a festival that Hindu's celebrate. (Weddings)

Sacred texts

- Hindus have several sacred texts (Vedas & Ramayana). (The story of Ganesh's birth)

Key Vocabulary: Hindus, Hinduism, Brahman, God, Mandir, goddess, Ganesh, Ramayana, values

Music: Tańczymy labada

- Children will continue to sing Tańczymy labada and learn about Polish culture
- They will create their own song arrangements using new instructions and additional percussion instruments

PE:

Orienteering - symbol recognition, map reading, orientation, parkour

Athletics - locomotor skills: run (footwork patterns), jump (height), throwing overarm for distance

Sustained Activity - coordination, bilateral coordination, moderate activity, intensive activity

Strike & Field - cricket - all stars Festival of Sport Performing to spectators, Throwing, Catching, Jumping

Key Dates:

- 4th June- Geography Field Work Day
- 5th June- Year 6 Bake Sale
- 8th-12th June - Year 6 Trip (Miss Gabriel attending)
- 8th-12th June - Phonics Screening Check (only for already specified children)
- 17th June - Year 6 Enterprise
- 25th June - Festival of Sport 1:45pm - 3:00pm
- 2nd July - Hampton Court Trip
- 17th July - School closes at 1:30pm

Key Information:

PE Days

Pearl and Amethyst: Monday, Wednesday

Turquoise: Tuesday, Wednesday

Library days

Turquoise: Tuesday

Amethyst: Wednesday

Pearl: Friday

Spelling tests will take place on Mondays.

Suggested Books to Read:

- The Storm Whale - Benji Davies
- Grandad's Island - Benji Davies
- The Koala Who Could - Rachel Bright
- Oi Frog! - Kes Gray and Jim Field
- Claude in the City - Alex T. Smith
- Isadora Moon Goes Camping - Harriet Muncaster
- The Hodgeheg - Dick King-Smith
- Flat Stanley - Jeff Brown
- The Magic Finger - Roald Dahl

Suggested places to visit or activities:

- Make and keep a plant diary to monitor how your plant grows. (send any photos into the Year 2 inbox)
- Natural History Museum
- Science Museum
- National Archives, Kew
- Isabella Plantation, Richmond Park
- Late April bluebell walk - various locations
- Practise telling the time!

Useful websites to support learning:

Book recommendations:

- <https://www.thereaderteacher.com/year2>
- <https://www.booktrust.org.uk/book-recommendations/bookfinder>
- <https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/recommended-reads/year-2/>
- <https://www.storynory.com>

Maths:

- <https://www.topmarks.co.uk>
- <https://whiteroseeducation.com>
- <https://numbots.com/>
- <https://www.amazon.co.uk/White-Maths-Practice-Journals-Workbook/dp/1382044755>