

English	<p>Writing We will be teaching writing through stories: children will focus on a story over a three-weekly period and write in the style of the writing within the book. The writing will also be used to support our grammar work and create ideas for poetry writing.</p> <p>Spelling Punctuation and Grammar This half term, children will be looking at the different types of nouns and how adverbs can enhance our sentences. In Spellings, the children will be learning spelling rules and changing word endings. The children will also be expected to practise learning their 2-weekly spelling words sent home, ready for our spelling dictation, when we test these words, and also spellings from previous weeks.</p>
Maths	We will continue to work on written methods for calculations, multiplication and division. We will practise effective methods for solving problems.
Science	Our Science topic for this half term is 'Everyday Materials'. Children will be focusing on working scientifically: observing, asking questions, making comparisons, offering answers to questions and gathering and recording information.
Computing	We will be using the iPads to enhance learning in Maths and to improve mental strategies.
Topic	The Year 2 topic this half term is 'The Weather'
R.E/Values	Through the strands, 'Expressing, Believing and Living', children will enjoy activities that link to our monthly values, as recorded in the planners.
Art/D.T.	In the main, children will focus on art work related to their topic: designing, making, painting and drawing.
P.E.	The children will recommence their sequences work in gymnastics: travelling, balances, rolls, turns and jumps. They will also have Street-dance with the dance instructor on Fridays.

Useful information for Parents	<p><u>Parents' Information</u></p> <p>In order to support your child's learning at home:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Listen to your child read every day (and record this in the planner) and discuss the book that he/she is reading at the moment. - Use Bug Club. Your child has a Bug Club 'basket' full of on-line books to be enjoyed as well as offering comprehension exercises too. - Play number games, counting forwards and backwards from different start numbers. - Play traditional board games - Practise the 2, 5 and 10 times tables: a thorough knowledge of these multiplication tables is required by the end of Year 2 - Visit your local library and make use of the books, CDs and videos they offer, especially the ones related to your child's topic. - Practise your child's spellings with them – they will have a list of spellings to learn every 2 weeks - Practise your child's high frequency/key words (high frequency/key words are found in your child's planner) and common exception words (found below). Year 2 children need to be able to read and spell all high frequency/key words and common exception words by the end of Key Stage 1 (July 2019). - Encourage your child to write at home and form all letters and numbers correctly
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