

YEAR 2



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Coming up next week...20/9/2021

Please can we have any children's magazines and comics for our reading area. Thank you!

Maths

Learning in school:

During this week in maths the children will be recapping the vocabulary 'greater than' and 'less than' and learning how to use the associated symbols. There will be lots of 'yellow challenges' to ensure deeper understanding. At the end of the week we will be recapping our number bonds and finding the missing number in our number bond calculations.

English

Learning in school:

This week in school, we will be continuing our learning linked to Katie in London by James Mayhew. Firstly, we will be using the adjectives we collected on Friday to create a 'wanted poster' for the lion who has gone missing from his plinth in Trafalgar Square. Next, children will be planning their own Katie in London story, thinking about which landmark Katie and Jack will visit and what will happen there. Then, across two lessons, children will be writing their stories. Focus will be on capital letters, full stops, finger spaces, use of adjectives and time words.

Phonics

Learning in school:

In Phonics we will be continuing to recap our Phase 5 sounds, focussing this week on 'ie', 'i_e', and 'o_e' alongside the Y1 tricky words: were, one, says, here and today.

Topic

Learning in school:

Inside PE: Children will be continuing to develop their teambuilding skills by co-operating and communicating in a small group to solve challenges.

Outside PE: This week the children will be developing their fitness by continuing to learn to skip.

Music: Along with playing musical games, each week the children 'listen and appraise' different pieces of music. This week it's The Lion Sleeps Tonight sung by The Soweto Gospel Choir. Children will explain why they like or dislike the song and talk about which instruments they can hear. We will then continue to learn the song 'Hands, Feet, Heart'.

PSHE: This week, we will be discussing our contribution to school life and the responsibilities this can bring. Children will have time to read their school council election statements to the class and we will be having a secret vote to elect one girl and one boy for each class.

RE: Children will be continuing to learn about Christianity by listening to and discussing the story of Noah's Ark.

Geography/History: This week, children will be learning about the history of the Thames and why the river is important to London. We will be using drama to re-enact different events through time.

Science: Across two lessons, we will be learning about different materials, using scientific vocabulary to describe their properties.

Computing: This week we will be continuing our coding topic, looking at algorithms. We will also be looking at how to change the colour of objects and adding backgrounds in 2Code.

Homework

This weekend, if your child is interested in becoming a member of the school council, please could they have a think about what would make them a good candidate. They can write their 'manifesto' in their homework books for Monday and they will have an opportunity to read it out in class. Each class will then secretly vote for one girl and one boy to be their school council representatives.

Please be assured that children chosen as school councillors will change throughout the year.

If your child does not wish to run for school council, please could they visit <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button> and play the 'number bonds' game. This will help them to practice their number bonds to 10 and 20, building up their confidence and speed.

Additional notes and reminders

Please could girls wear shorts under their skirts on a Tuesday for yoga and please could children wear their PE kit to school on their class's PE days.
Please also ensure that no earrings are worn to school at any time.

Class email addresses:

Please do not use these email addresses to tell us about changes to pick up, as we do not always have the opportunity to check the class email addresses during the school day.

Leopards: leopards@mead.surrey.sch.uk

Bears: bears@mead.surrey.sch.uk

Monkeys: monkeys@mead.surrey.sch.uk

Please note that as the week progresses it is sometimes necessary to change what is planned to meet the learning needs of the children and therefore changes to the above may occur.