

YEAR 2



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Coming up next week...19/9/2022

Maths

Learning in school:

Children will be finding ten more and ten less than a number and using this skill to solve problems. There will be lots of 'yellow challenges' to ensure deeper understanding.

English

Learning in school:

Last week, children planned their own Katie in London story, thinking about which landmark Katie and Jack visited and what happened 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. We will end the week with a lesson practising the skill of proofreading and editing.

SPAG

Learning in school:

We will be focusing on the 'j' sound spelt 'g'. We will be looking at words with this spelling and doing activities to consolidate the children's understanding.

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.

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'.

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

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.

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.

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 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.

In Year 2, we are promoting independence so please could you remind your child in the morning to take ownership of putting their homework book in the homework tray. We really appreciate your help with this reminder.

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.

Year 2 parents meeting will be held on Zoom at **2pm** on **Wednesday 21st September**. A link to the Zoom meeting will be sent nearer the time.

Reading Books

All reading records should be logged onto 'Boom Reader,' (formerly Go Read.) When your child has read their book and is confident please encourage them to change it. We will also give the children reminders to support this.

Any support you need setting up your child's reading log can be found here:

App/ mobile guide:

<https://www.loom.com/share/bd6d966383fd43ab9454d15021f1903b>

Internet browser guide:

<https://www.loom.com/share/bf854bd92fe9441d808e30dce35e81ca>

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.