

# Year 2 Curriculum News

We hope you all had a wonderful holiday and are ready for all we have planned in Spring 2.

We have a Geography focus this half term and the children will be involved on lots of trips and visits around the curriculum. Please send in your 50ps to help with our prize box goodies. Thank you for your support. Miss Maddison, Mrs Pickett, Miss Mook and Miss Muharrem.

## English

Composition - This half term we will be writing narratives, writing setting descriptions and writing recounts of our trip.

Vocabulary, Punctuation and Grammar - We will learn to spell more words with contracted forms

learn the possessive apostrophe (singular) [for example, the girl's book]

distinguish between homophones and near-homophones

add suffixes to spell longer words, including -ment, -ness, -ful, -less, -ly

Spelling - We will continue to practise our high frequency words, learn spelling rules and also common exception words.

## Portsmouth and Dhaka

### Spring 2



## PE

This half term we will be creating dance routines and Emperor class will be going swimming from 6<sup>th</sup> March.

## Maths

This half term we will learn about fractions and measure.

We will recognise, find, name and write fractions  $\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{2}{4}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$  and of a length, shape, set of objects or quantity

write simple fractions for example,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 6 = 3 and recognise the equivalence of  $\frac{2}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

We will also look at measure choose and use appropriate standard units to estimate and measure length/height in any direction (m/cm); mass (kg/g); temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ); capacity (litres/ml) to the nearest appropriate unit, using rulers, scales, thermometers and measuring vessels

compare and order lengths, mass, volume/capacity and record the results using >, <

## Music

We will be following the Model Music scheme.

Our unit is:

How Does Music Make the World a Better Place?

## Reading

Well done to those children who consistently read 4x a week last half term. Children should be picking up a text to read for enjoyment or pleasure. This will be encouraged at school and it would be wonderful if it could be continued at home. Those who are recognised for reading 4x a week will be part of a new year 2 reading incentive.

## Things to look forward to.

**World Book Day: Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**

**Near and Far Topic Day 1<sup>st</sup> March**

**Forest of Bere 20<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> March**

## RE

This half term we will be looking at the Christian Festival of Easter and linking this to happy and sad celebrations.

## Science

We are looking continuing to look at materials. We will be looking at the features of materials and their suitability for certain jobs. The children will be making their own 'little pigs' house and evaluating the effectiveness of the materials.

## Geography

In Geography we will look at the human and features of Portsmouth and the capital city of Bangladesh, Dhaka.

We will visit the seafront to identify the features as well as go on a local walk. We will use maps and atlases to identify different areas of the world.

We will use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features; devise a simple map; and use and construct basic symbols in a key

## DT

We will design a product linked to Dhaka and make it using a variety of media.

## PSHE

In PSHE we are looking at the topic of Healthy Me. We will learn how to keep ourselves safe and healthy and different relaxation techniques.

## Computing

This unit introduces the learners to the term 'data'. Learners will begin to understand what data means and how this can be collected in the form of a tally chart. They will learn the term 'attribute' and use this to help them organise data. They will then progress onto presenting data in the form of pictograms and finally block diagrams. Learners will use the data presented to answer questions.