

Curriculum Newsletter

YEAR 2 | Spring Term 1 | 2025



Dear Parents and Carers. Thank you for your continued support this academic year. The children really enjoyed learning about Hot and Cold places and we hope they really enjoyed showing them to Year 5. Thank you for helping your children to complete such fantastic project work to support this topic. We hope you had a lovely break and we look forward to another fun-filled and learning-packed term!

This half term, our topic is History and will be focussing our learning around the key question **‘Did man really go to the moon?’**

Our ‘Stunning Start’ to launch our topic will be:

Now Press Play - flight simulation of a journey to the moon.

We will enhance children’s learning and ‘Cultural Capital’ with the following experiences, websites and texts:

- Facts about the moon website for children
- Now press play - stunning start
- Link learning to DT - building a moon buggy.

Our ‘Showcase’ piece of work at the end of the topic will be:

Children to write a diary entry as Neil Armstrong after he has just walked on the moon.

Children to record using a green screen (adult support) and upload their video diaries to Seesaw to share with families.

Our ‘Shared Outcome’ to communicate our learning with others will be:

We will be uploading our video diaries onto Seesaw to share with families.



Here is a breakdown of the skills and knowledge to be covered in each subject through this topic:

English:

This half term we will be studying the books of Anthony Browne.

Key texts: The Tunnel, Gorilla and Through the Magic Mirror as well as some non fiction books about space exploration.

Key skills:

- writing a setting description based on The Tunnel
- writing the end of an adventure story based on Gorilla
- writing a recount based on Through The Magic Mirror

Maths:

- developing number skills in more depth
- develop multiplication and division skills
- Money
- Making the same amount with different coins
- Shops - finding the correct change

Science:

Our topic this half term is about habitats and microhabitats. We will learn about carnivores, omnivores and herbivores. We will think about plants as producers and animals as consumers while exploring different food chains.

Other learning opportunities:

Please do engage with the topic homework as it helps bring the Moon Landing topic to 'life'.

We will be continuing with outdoor learning. Library visits will continue every 2 weeks in school. Please do encourage your child(ren) to read a wide range of text in addition to the books they bring back from school.

Computing: We will be revisiting scratch to practice more coding. Pupils to program 2 sprites so they appear to interact in a knock knock joke.

RE: We will be planning an RE day towards the end of the half term. This will be a fantastic opportunity to learn more about Christianity. We will learn about why the cross is important to Christians.

PE: We will be beginning the unit of ball skills outdoors, and gymnastics for indoor PE.

Music: The children will continue their music lessons with Mrs Kraft.

PSHE: Our new topic is called Dreams and Goals and asks the children to reflect on what they have achieved, what they would like to achieve and how they will do this.

Reminders:

Home reading books will continue to be given out on Mondays with spellings for the next weeks spelling test. Books will also be changed on Thursdays. Please remember to send your child in with their reading record daily.

