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Year 2 Summer Term Curriculum Letter



Dear Parents/Carers,
Here is brief look at what we have planned for the summer term:

Topic Focus	Woodlands and Traditional tales
<i>Subject</i>	<i>Main Learning Focus</i>
English/Literacy	In our writing we will be focusing on using punctuation such as: commas, question marks, exclamation marks and apostrophes. We will be exploring a range of writing genres including: setting descriptions, stories, non-fiction reports, instructions and poems. The children will be encouraged to use joined handwriting in all of their written work and to use accurate spelling choices.
Maths	We will be revising areas already taught in preparation for the SATs such as addition and subtraction of 2-digit numbers, multiplication, division, 2D and 3D shape, money, time, measuring and graphs. After the SATs we will be working on our mental strategies and understanding of number at a deeper level beyond just finding an answer but looking for patterns and relationships.
Science	We will be looking at different habitats and learning how they provide for the needs of the animals and plants. We will also be learning about simple food chains and we will be classifying mini-beasts and plants.
RE	We will be finding out what makes a church a special place for people. We will also be discussing different stories from the Bible and thinking about what lessons we can learn from the stories in today's world.
Computing	We will be continuing to learn about e-safety and using STARZ to safely send emails and share blogs. We will be using 'Scratch' to learn about algorithms in programming. (This is available as a free app and website if your child is keen to practise at home.)
PSHE	The children will learn how to keep themselves safer in a variety of personal safety contexts. They will begin by identifying those people they have chosen for themselves who they trust and who they would feel comfortable talking to if they have a worry. As we come to the end of the year, children will learn to recognise that change is a normal part of life and will discuss their feelings. They will also learn that change can be positive and talk about some life changes they might look forward to in the future.
Art and DT	The children will be practising their colour mixing skills and will explore how to make different tones and tints. They will also be improving their sketching skills. The children will be designing and making a moving picture using levers and sliders.
History and Geography	In history we will be learning about changes within living memory – how has our school changed? In geography we will be learning different map skills including compass directions, physical and human features on maps and using aerial photos to help us make our own maps.
Music	The children will learn to perform 4 note ostinato patterns (a continually repeated musical phrase or rhythm) on glockenspiels to accompany songs. They will follow a leader when performing to know when to start and stop playing the ostinato pattern. They will compose and score ostinato melodies using the pentatonic scale
PE	We will be practising the fundamentals of movement; A-agility B-balance C-co-ordination through games and using equipment such as balls. In the 2 nd half of term we will be getting ready for sports day with athletic based games.

Home learning

The learning logs will continue to go out every other Friday and will need to be returned by the date on the sheet or earlier. We will continue to send home our information letter on a Friday with suggestions for extra activities you could do at home to support their learning.

PE days/kits

Year 2 will continue to have PE on a Tuesday and Thursday – Please make sure your child has indoor (shorts and t-shirt) and outdoor kit (a pair of trainers/plimsolls, a jumper/jacket and long trousers) at school and that every item is clearly named (please check written labels haven't worn off through washing).

Dates

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| Wednesday 3 rd May (5pm) | - | Year 2 SATs information evening to be held in 2M |
| Monday 15 th – Friday 26 th May | - | SATs fortnight (please avoid absences in these weeks if possible) |
| Week beginning 12 th June | - | Phonic screening re-sits for those who didn't pass in Year 1 |

SATs

Year 2 SATs will take place in the fortnight beginning 15th May. You are invited to attend an informal information evening on Wednesday 3rd May at 5pm in class 2M during which you will be able to look at previous SAT papers and ask any questions. If you are unable to attend but have any questions/ concerns, please catch us at the end of a school day and we will try to help.

Reading

At Brampton Village Primary School, we think that reading with your child at home is so valuable and important. Your child should take a book from the lending library (or read a home book) and read it to an adult. They must record how they get on with their reading at home in their reading record, we really value your comments especially if the book was too hard/easy. They have an opportunity to change their book daily in school but it is their responsibility to tell us that they need to change their book. Please make sure your child brings their reading record book in their book bags **every day** so we can check their targets when we read with them in school.

Show and Tell

The children can bring items for show and tell on a Wednesday when we have our classroom assembly. These should be related to something they have recently achieved or related to our topic. Please do not bring toys to school.

The weather

As the weather gets warmer the children may want to bring in a sunhat for playtimes and sunscreen. You can buy 24 hour sunscreen but if the children need to apply it during the day they must be able to apply it independently and must not share sunscreen. As it is England, please always be prepared for rain with a pack-a-mac or coat.

End of day

If there is a change to normal collection arrangements, please let your child's class teacher know (tell the person at the door or send a note). Sometimes the children pass on messages that have not been completely accurate.

Name it!

Please can you check that your child's school uniform is named, particularly cardigans and jumpers as they tend to get taken off during the school day. Sometimes we struggle to return lost items because the name has worn off or it is second hand and still has someone else's name in it. Also lots of children have the same water bottle but these are not named either, which can be tricky for the children to then know which is their one.

Lost PE bag

Abbie in 2 Willow has lost her yellow PE bag. She had it in school on the last day of term but has not seen it since. It is named. Please check it hasn't accidentally been brought home.

Mrs Janette Taylor, Miss Abi M^cAuley and Mrs Kathryn Henson ☺