



Topic Learning Letter

Summer 2024-Year Two

Topic	Our topics this term are: <i>Once upon a Twisted Tale</i> and <i>Look Up, Look Down, Look all around</i> .
Launch and Land	We are going to launch our <i>Once Upon a Twisted Tale</i> topic with a surprise discovery in the wildlife garden which will require our expert knowledge of growing plants. For our land we will be sending out invites to Katherine Semar Grand Ball so get those smart clothes ready! <i>Look Up, Look Down, Look all around</i> will be launched in an intergalactic 'out of this world' way! We land this topic by taking a trip to The National Trust Wicken Fen site where we will be participating in amazing activities such as pond dipping, hunting for bugs and making bug art.
Trips / Visitors	We will be participating in Forest School in the second half of term; more details to follow.
Science	In Science we will be investigating, observing and describing how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. We will also find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy. Part of this will be Identifying and naming a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including micro-habitats.
History/Geography	We will be learning about the life of Neil Armstrong; a significant individual in history. We will be observing and handling sources (including primary and secondary) to find answers to questions about the first landing on the moon and will start to discuss the effectiveness of sources. We will also be learning about other explorers and space exploration in the future.
Design and Technology / Art	We will be looking at the artist Georgia O'Keefe and how she used drawing to depict plants and flowers. We will focus on drawing lines of different sizes and thickness, colour neatly following the lines and filling the space, show pattern and texture by adding dots and lines and show different tones by using coloured pencils and pastels. In DT we will be designing and making a class quilt to celebrate the coronation of King Charles II. We will be dyeing fabrics, joining textiles using running stitch and using colour and decoration techniques such as adding embellishments.
Music	We are looking at songs and composing music that are in the theme of 'Traditional Songs' and learning some notes on the recorder.
PSHE	Our whole school topics for the summer term are <i>Relationships</i> and <i>Changing Me</i> . Within <i>Relationships</i> we will focus on what makes a good and healthy relationship. Within <i>Changing Me</i> we will understand that everyone is unique and special, know to ask for help when they are worried about change and the changes that we are looking forward to.
RE	This term we will be learning about 'How do Jewish people celebrate Passover?'.
Reminders	PE days for Summer 1 term are Wednesday and Thursday. Please ensure you're your child comes to school in appropriate PE kit and trainers. Year 2 are swimming every Wednesday afternoon the second half term. Please make sure they have their costume on under their PE kit. A towel and swimming hat are required but goggles are optional.

If you have any questions or concerns at all please talk to one of the Year Two Team.