



Curriculum Map, Timetable and Home Learning
Schedule for Year 2

Shoot Phase

2016 - 2017

Year 2	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
<p>Learning Unit Year 2</p>	<p>Mother Nature - Art focus During our Art Learning Unit we explore the natural world around us using our senses and identify patterns in nature. We also study the work of the artist William Morris, Monet and Andy Goldsworthy.</p>	<p>Stars in Your Eyes History focus During our History Learning Unit we learn about the famous people from the past and why they were important. We learn about Samuel Pepys, Florence Nightingale and Guy Fawkes to name a few.</p> <p>Christmas Crackers & Winter Wonderland Art, D&T, Music & Drama We study the nativity and the meaning of Christmas. It's time to get creative and explore different Christmas crafts. We also work on our wonderful Christmas Production.</p>	<p>Things that go Bump in the Night Science and English focus During this Learning Unit, we learn lots of new knowledge about what causes light and dark, people who work at night, nocturnal animals and our solar system.</p>	<p>Jambo! - Geography focus with art During our Geography Learning Unit we travel with Barnaby Bear to different parts of Africa. We learn about different African traditions, make African masks and learn about the Big 5 animals. We have an African day when we dress in brightly coloured clothes to share our new knowledge about Africa.</p>	<p>We're All Going on a Summer Holiday History and D.T focus During our Learning Unit we learn about seaside holidays from the past and design our very own puppets. We compare it to seaside holidays now and have a seaside day as part of our learning That's the Way to do it! Design and Technology focus Then we make our own puppets as part of our Design and Technology Learning Unit.</p>	<p>Under the sea! During our Geography Learning Unit we learn about sea creatures, their habitats and the 5 oceans. We locate and name the 5 oceans, create information texts about sea creatures such as sharks and get creative.</p> <p>G'Day! Geography focus We join Barnaby on his travels to Australia during our G'day Geography Learning Unit. We look at landmarks in Australia, learn about Australian animals and Australian traditions.</p>

<p>Science Year 2</p>	<p>Plants This topic links closely with our Learning Unit topic 'Mother Nature'. We go into the school garden and identify patterns in nature and also learn about the plants we find in our local environment. Miss Noakes guides our learning for the unit by guiding us about how to care for plants and animals throughout autumn and winter.</p>	<p>Everyday Materials During this unit we learn about material. We investigate different types of materials and their properties. We also learn about why certain materials are used for specific purposes and we experiment with a variety of materials to test them.</p>	<p>Plants - School Garden During this unit, we head back to the garden to observe seasonal changes since Autumn. We will also learn about the life of plants, their parts and their special job within an ecosystem.</p>	<p>Living Things and their Habitats Throughout this unit we will be building on our prior knowledge about plants and applying our learning in Forest School. We will also learn about animals and mini beasts that we will find in Rough Wood, including a range of nocturnal animals which links to our Learning Unit topic.</p>	<p>Growing, Healthy Eating and Hygiene This unit allows us to learn about ourselves. We investigate the differences between different generations and changes that happen as we grow up. We also learning about how to look after our bodies by eating healthily and investigate the effect that exercise has on our bodies.</p>	<p>Animals - how they grow and change Throughout this unit, we learn about many different life cycles. We also learn about caring for baby animals and investigate the changes that happen as animals grow.</p> <p>Differences and similarities Boys and Girls, Male and Female.</p> <p>If you wish to withdraw your child from aspects of the science learning then please speak to your class teacher.</p>
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Home Learning

Home Learning is the opportunity for every child to continue their learning journey with their families. You can make such a difference to your child's progress by your involvement in home learning. Home learning enables each child to practise skills, consolidate, embed or extend what they have learned in school.

"Learning Logs" are for each child to record their pertinent learning from the week and will be brought home weekly to share with you. Please set some time aside for a meaningful conversation with your child about what they have learned and add your comments to share with their teacher. A three way conversation about learning! Positive comments from a parent about their child's attainment make such a difference to their confidence and resulting progress.

Home Learning Challenges: Creative projects for you and your child to create together will be set at some point during the year – get those glue sticks ready...

Maths home learning will alternate weekly between practical 'Activity Packs' and 'Beat That' tasks to involve the family and have fun whilst learning the basic skills and facts of maths. Occasionally additional maths activities will also be sent home.

Home Reading. Hearing your child read on a regular basis will accelerate your child's progress in their reading. Special time with you will also promote their enjoyment of reading. Please record your comments in your child's Home Reading Record. Comprehension tasks will be sent home fortnightly to enable your child to practice the skill of understanding what they have read.

Spellings to be explored and learned will be sent home weekly and recorded in your child's Home Reading Record. Your child will undertake a spelling test fortnightly in their reading record so you will be able to see how your child fared and what they still need to learn.

English skills: Occasionally other tasks involving practice of grammar, punctuation or an aspect of writing will also be sent home to consolidate your child's learning.

Please note the days on which your child has PE (Friday). Please ensure that the correct kit is in school on the correct day.