# Chapter 2 Learning Journey

# **English**

This half term, Chapter 2 will be using A River by Marc Martin as a springboard for their learning in English lessons. Based on this text, they will be writing letters and creating their own circular narratives and will be exploring writing features such as similes, possessive apostrophes and noun phrases. In our Steps to Read lessons, Chapter 2 are developing their comprehension skills through our Rivers and Seas topic. This will include a range of fiction and non-fiction texts, including The Real Boat by Marina Aromshtam and The Sea Book by Charlotte Milner.

# Geography

Chapter 2 are travelling all around the world in their Geography lessons this half term! Each week they will be exploring a country within one of the seven continents, focusing on a range of features such as famous landmarks, food, currency and language. We will consider how they are similar and different to where we live in the United Kingdom. The children always love singing the Continents Song to help them recall the continents in order from largest to smallest!

# Spanish ¿Qué tiempo hace?

This half term, Chapter 2 pupils will find out where Spanish is spoken in the world and will revise personal information. They will practise counting up to 15, in and out of order and how to say their age. Pupils will learn how to say what the weather is like and they will also be introduced to negative phrases so that they can explain what the weather is not like. They will focus on Spanish pronunciation. An excellent free app for practising weather vocabulary is ABC Español.

#### Computing

During our first half term, Chapter 2 will be learning about online safety and effective searching. They will be using Purple Mash to explore the terminology associated with the internet and searching, to refine searches using the Search tool and to introduce email as a communication tool. Crucially, children will be learning to understand that information put online leaves a digital footprint or trail and to begin to think critically about the information they leave online.

### Physical Education

This half term, the children will be developing their Fundamental Skills. They will be participating in numerous different activities and games which will develop their hand eye coordination, ball control,

# Mathematics

This half term, Chapter 2 pupils will be developing their understanding of the place value of 2-digit numbers, focusing on partitioning and representing them in different ways. They will also be looking at adding and subtracting 2-digit numbers using known facts to help them. Finally, the children will be moving on to solving word problems involving the addition and subtraction of 2-digit numbers.

## Religious Education

In Chapter 2, we begin our RE studies looking at the key question: 'Why do we need to give thanks?' We will consider how some people show that they are thankful including through scripture, prayer and song, as well as looking at specific events such as harvest. We also consider how and why some Hindus use puja to show that they are thankful.

#### Science

This half term, we will be exploring and comparing the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive. We will be able to understand that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and will be able to describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of the creatures living there. We will also begin to look at basic food chains, and identify and name different sources of food.

#### Music

This term the children will build on their knowledge of pulse and begin to explore rhythmical pattern. They will be able to follow ta and ti ti notation and echo rhythmical patterns. They will explore composition skills, building their own rhythmical patterns within frameworks. Children will also be developing their singing independence preparing a song for the Harvest assemblies.

# Art/ Design Technology

Chapter 2 will be learning about sculptures in Art this half term. They will be creating their own sculptures with a simple human form using different mediums, such as pipe cleaners and clay. The children will be learning about famous sculptors, such as Barbara Hepworth and Alexander Calder, and creating their own sculptures to emulate their unique styles.

#### <u> History</u>

Chapter 2 will be doing history lessons in the second half of this term.



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