



Chapter 2 Learning Journey

English

This half term, we are using the book *Grandad's Island* by Benji Davies as a springboard for our learning in English. We will be writing our own return narratives and information texts which use features such as noun phrases, adverbs and apostrophes. We are continuing to practise our comprehension skills in Steps to Read in our Traditional Tales and Poetry unit.

History

We will be learning about the Great Fire of London this half term where we will be exploring historical sources and discussing their usefulness. We will be putting the events of the Great Fire in chronological order and debating which historical figure was responsible for it spreading so far and so fast.

Spanish

This half term, Year 2 will practise numbers 1-31. They will practise days of the week and months of the year. Pupils will recognise their birthday month in Spanish and some pupils will attempt to say their birthday date. They will sing songs to practise days and months. Pupils will learn about some Spanish Easter traditions.

Computing

Pupils will progress the knowledge and skills that they have acquired during year 1. They will learn how to copy and paste data between cells and will use more sophisticated tools, such as totalling, to create an ice cream shop spreadsheet that calculates total amounts of ice creams bought. Pupils will then go on to present this data in a graph.

Physical Education

During this half term, the children in Year 2 will be working together to learn skills implemented in Fundamental Group Games. Each lesson will focus on a specific skill which will then progress to a group game. Some of the skills taught involve rolling and throwing, striking a ball, sending and receiving a ball or object and kicking a ball.

Mathematics

This half term, we are learning about money where we focus on skills like making totals using different coins and calculating change. Then, we will start our learning on shape. This will involve identifying features of 2D and 3D shapes and comparing and sorting them according to their properties.

Religious Education

This half term, the Year 2 children will discover the characteristics of a prophet, including Muhammad, Jesus and Guru Nanak and their importance. They will also look at a number of key stories and scriptures.

Science

This half term, we will be observing and describing how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants, as well as looking at how fruit is grown. We will also find out and describe what plants need in order to grow and stay healthy.

Music

Calypsos and the sounds of the Caribbean
This term chapter 2 will be using our steel pans to explore melody and pitch. They will discover traditional music from the Caribbean and use letter notation to follow simple melodic patterns, using rhythm through sound.

Art/ Design Technology

This half term, we are exploring vehicles. We will explore different types of vehicles and some of their parts, such as an axis and chassis. We will be moving on to design, create and evaluate our own moving vehicles.

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This half-term, Chapter Two pupils are focusing on enhancing their teamwork and leadership skills through outdoor games. The children will explore different methods of communication to solve challenges in small groups and as a whole class.