Year 2

Curriculum Information

What your child is learning this half term

Autumn 2: Street detectives.

English
Our curriculum this half term will be focusing on Street Detectives where children will be writing instructions on how to travel to a local destination. They will also create adverts promoting the local area of Saltley.

At home ensure that your child knows all of their high frequency words also ensure that you read lots of fiction and non-fiction books. We have spelling tests every week!

Maths
This term we will be learning about money, addition and subtraction. Children will learn about the value of money. We will continue to focus upon our 5 times tables. At home ensure that your child is regularly practising all their times tables. We have times table tests every Fridays!

Science
We are learning all about ‘Animals including Humans’. Children will be looking at healthy food, hygiene and how animals grow. At home children can look at healthy food and how to keep themselves clean.

PE
Children will learn a range of skills using their body.
2S- Attack, defend and shoot
2O- Dance
2C- Send and return

At home, children can watch profession level sport in their activity. Revise key vocabulary related to their activity and speak to them about fair play and the meaning of ‘sportsmanship’.

Computing
Our topic is ‘We are astronauts’. We will use the ‘Scratch’ program to create a background and new sprites. We are inputting algorithms to direct the sprite. This term we are going to concentrate more on the games aspect to it.

At home children can explore the ‘Scratch’ program http://scratch.mit.edu/

Art/DT
In DT we are making different types of houses from environmental friendly materials. In Art, children will be focusing on the artist called ‘Lowry’ and his style of work. They are going to create paintings in the style of this artist.

At home they can talk about the different parts of a house and research information about the artist called ‘Lowry’.

History/Geography
In Geography we will be creating maps and comparing how maps have changed over the years, concentrating on talking about the similarities and differences between them. In History we will be looking at the changes within living memory and looking at significant people and places have changed over time.

At home talk to children about their local area and how it has changed over the years. Also name the local landmarks within your area.

PSHE
Children will recall different religions that are in our country and why it is important show respect. They will also look at what a healthy and balanced diet looks like.

Anti-bullying week
Road safety week

At home ensure that children know the green cross code.

Homework
Homework will be given out termly. You will have the choice to complete 6 tasks out of 9. You will also have weekly spelling and times tables tests so these should be practised throughout.

Memorable Experience
Local walk around the area