

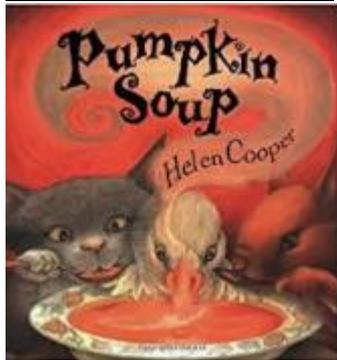
# Curriculum Newsletter

## Year 2 Term 2 2019/20

We hope you all had a great half term break. This term is another busy one with lots of amazing learning opportunities.

We are pleased to be taking the Year 2 children to Noah's Arc Zoo Farm on the 25<sup>th</sup> of November. Please make sure you return your permission slips and monies to the office.

### Readers and Writers



This term, we will study the book 'Pumpkin Soup' By Helen Cooper. We will focus on using the book to explore language and we will be writing both

character and landscape descriptions. Our end of unit outcome will be a narrative, the children will write a story based on Duck's adventures.

We will also be producing a recount of our trip to Noah's Arc Zoo Farm. This will include describing animals and their habitats. Which is linked to the Biology we will be learning this term.

In our morning reading sessions, we will be building our reading comprehension skills and be able to answer questions about texts. We

### Mathematicians



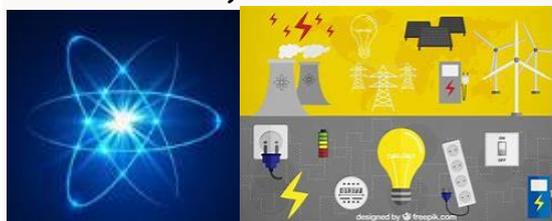
In this term we will be concentrating on using the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and

division. First, we will add and subtract numbers using concrete objects, pictorial representations, and mentally. Before we learn to recognise and use the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction. We will then move onto the recall and use of multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables, including recognising odd and even numbers and using in calculations.

will also continue to practise our retelling skills and be able to make predictions and inferences from our reading.

### **Scientists - Physics**

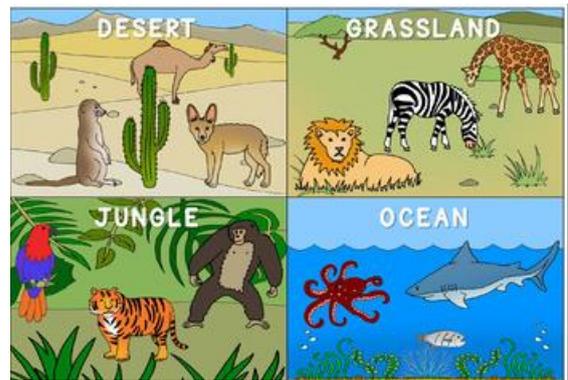
In Science, the children will learn about Electricity including static electricity. The Children will learn basic parts of simple electric circuits (for example, batteries, wire, bulb or buzzer, switch) Plus Conductive and non-conductive materials. They will also learn about the safety rules for electricity (for example, never put your finger or anything metallic in an electrical outlet and never touch a switch or electrical appliance when your hands are wet )



### **Scientists - Biology**

The children will be learning about living things and their habitats and environments to which they are particularly suited. They will find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air). We will study specific habitats and what lives there, for example a Forest ( oak trees, squirrels, foxes, badgers, snails, mice). We will also learn about the food chain: as a way of picturing the relationships between living things. Finally, we will also learn about the Special classification of animals: such as Herbivores and Carnivores plus

Omnivores.



For this term, children in Year 2 will be developing their movement and co-ordination skills, whilst working on their balance and spatial awareness. This will be done through a series of teamwork games. The children will have PE every Wednesday so please make sure they have their PE kit on that day. PE kit needs to be a white t-shirt, black shorts/jogging bottoms/leggings and a pair of trainers. Please help us by writing your child's name in every item of clothing (uniform and PE kit) and encouraging them to dress themselves at home.



Your children will have ten spellings to learn every week and it is very important that they are supported to learn these. Please spend 10 minutes, 3 times per week practising with them at home. Spelling Test will be on a Thursday each week.



Homework

Please listen to your child read at home 5 times per week. This is the most important thing you can do to support learning at this age. Just 10-15 minutes per day makes a big difference! We will be checking yellow reading records weekly. They will also be set Mathletics activities for them to access online at [mathletics.com](http://mathletics.com).

Yours Sincerely,  
Miss Riley