

# Curriculum Newsletter

## Year 2 Term 2 2020/21

Welcome to Term 2. This term is another busy one with lots of amazing learning opportunities.

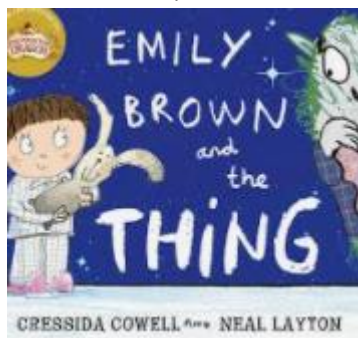
Please login to DOJO every week to see the amazing work that the children will be doing. I love to see your pictures of your children too if you want to share any learning they do at home.

Please remember you can also message me with anything you may want to ask or discuss.

### Readers and Writers

This term, we will study the book 'Emily Brown and the Thing' by Cressida Cowell.

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 Emily and the Thing's adventures.



In our morning reading sessions, we will be building our reading comprehension skills and be able to answer questions about texts. We will also continue to practise our retelling skills and be able to make predictions and inferences from our reading.

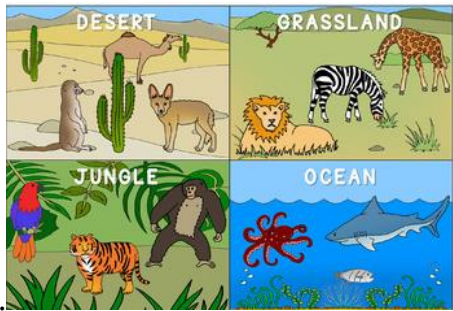
### Mathematicians



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.

### Scientists - Animal 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



### Scientists - Human Biology

The children will also be learning about the human body. In particular, we will study the skeleton and names of specific bones. We will also learn about muscles and their importance. As well as learning about digestion and the circulatory system.

#### **Culture Week**



This term we will also have Culture Week. In year 2 we will be studying the country and the culture of Bangladesh. We will learn about its language, its geography, its history and some of its customs and culture. We will take part in some art and design and technology activities around this country too.



For this term, children in Year 2 will be developing their ball skills and taking part in Netball with Bristol Sport. The children will have PE every Tuesday.



#### **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 and changing your children's books. They will also be set Mathletics activities for them to access online at [mathletics.com](http://mathletics.com).

Yours Sincerely,  
Miss Riley