

Curriculum Newsletter

Year 2 - Term 2 2023/2024

Welcome to Term 2!

We've had a busy and brilliant start to Year 2 and we've got lots of exciting things planned for the term ahead. Please make sure you log onto ClassDojo each week to check for updates and to see all our amazing work!

It is very important your child brings in their **water bottle, reading book and a coat** every day!



Dates for Term 2:

30th October: Term 2 Starts
 6th December: Class trip to The SS Great Britain with Year 3.
 15th December: Last day of Term 2
 3rd January: Term 3 Starts

Authors

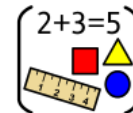


As authors this term, we will be reading *The Proudest Blue* and also *You Wouldn't Want To Be A Victorian Child*.

We will be continuing to apply our learning from Year 1 and building on the new skills we have been learning in Year 2 to help us innovate our own story and create a non-chronological report.

Don't forget to ask us all about the stories and our writing – we will be very excited to discuss them with you!

Mathematicians



As mathematicians, we will be continuing to deepen our knowledge and understanding of numbers within 100.

We will do this by practicing the skill of adding and subtracting within 10 and within 20.

We will also be continuing to investigate 2D and 3D shapes with Ms Smaka.

Scientists



As scientists, we will be exploring electricity.

We will investigate and discuss how electricity makes light bulbs light if you connect a circuit and how some things do not conduct electricity.

Athletes



Our athlete lessons for Term 1 are on **Monday and Tuesday**. Children should come to school dressed ready for athlete lessons.

As athletes, we will be practising and refining our basic movement skills through our Real PE gymnastics curriculum.

We are very excited to have Bristol Robins Foundation Coaches coming to run basketball for our Tuesday sports sessions.

Phonics



As readers and writers this term, we will be continuing to focus on our Phase 5b phonics sounds (alternative pronunciation), as well as revising Phase 2, 3 and 4.

Please ask us about our phonics sounds at home!

Historians



As historians this term we will be using our skills to continue exploring the Victorian Era (AD 1837 – AD 1901), the changes that happened within the Victorian Empire and the global impact it had.

Evergreen Citizens



As Evergreen Citizens we will be looking at Celebrating Difference.

We will also be focussing on anti-bullying and equality.

We will be exploring how to help if someone is being bullied, look at recognising right and wrong, try to use kind words and also start to accept and understand that everyone is different.

At home learning



Please listen to your child read at home at least **5 times per week**.

This is the most important thing you can do to support learning at this age. Just 5 minutes per day makes a big difference. Don't forget to ask your child to identify the sounds in the words – they will be very keen to show off their phonics skills!

We will be checking in daily and will change books when appropriate.

Have fun reading together!

If you have any questions at all, please contact me through ClassDojo or speak with myself or Miss Carruthers at the door.

Yours Sincerely,
Mrs Goodfellow – Year 2 Class Teacher