

Year 2 Newsletter Summer 2021

Welcome back to last half term of Year 2! We hope that you made the most of the weather and managed to have a relaxing half term. This will be an action packed half term and we are sure that it will fly by. Over the course of the next few weeks, we will continue working through the Year 2 curriculum but will also start to prepare the children for transition into Year 3 and Key Stage 2.

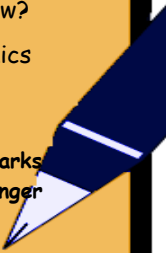


This term we will be reading the books *The Journey Home* and *Greta and the Giants*. We will use these books as part of our English lessons and pupils will carry out a variety of tasks and produce some scaffolded and independent writing. Alongside our class books, we will be continuing with our SPAG lessons. When reading with your child, you could discuss any areas which you and your child particularly enjoyed within a book. Some questions you could ask: what are the characters thinking/feeling? How do you know?

Books will be changed regularly and the phonics book will be changed weekly on a Tuesday.

Key vocabulary:

Adjectives letter formation question marks
nouns full stops capital letters finger
spaces sentence types exclamation marks
verbs Similes expanded noun phrases



Mathematics

This term, we will start with some work on time and will be making sure that we recap work that took place over lockdown. A large proportion of this recap work will take place in our 30 minute maths sessions.

We will continue with White Rose Maths in lessons and for homework.

Times tables (2s, 5s, 10s and 3s) will also be a key focus throughout the year and you can help your child by practising these with them too.

Key vocabulary:

tens ones digit more less
add plus subtract minus
vertices edges faces fraction
denominator numerator



Phonics

Phonics will take place daily. We will practise our sounds making sure we can read them quickly and easily. We will also practise blending sounds together to read words and segmenting sounds to spell words.

Pupils will bring home a phonics reading book for the week which will match their phonics ability.

Year 2 pupils should be reading for at least 15 minutes every day. When reading with your child, encourage them to sound out tricky words using their phonics and discuss any unfamiliar vocabulary with them.



SCIENCE

In science, our topic this term will be 'Our Local Environment'. In this topic, we will look at habitats, food chains specifically based around our locality.

Key vocabulary:

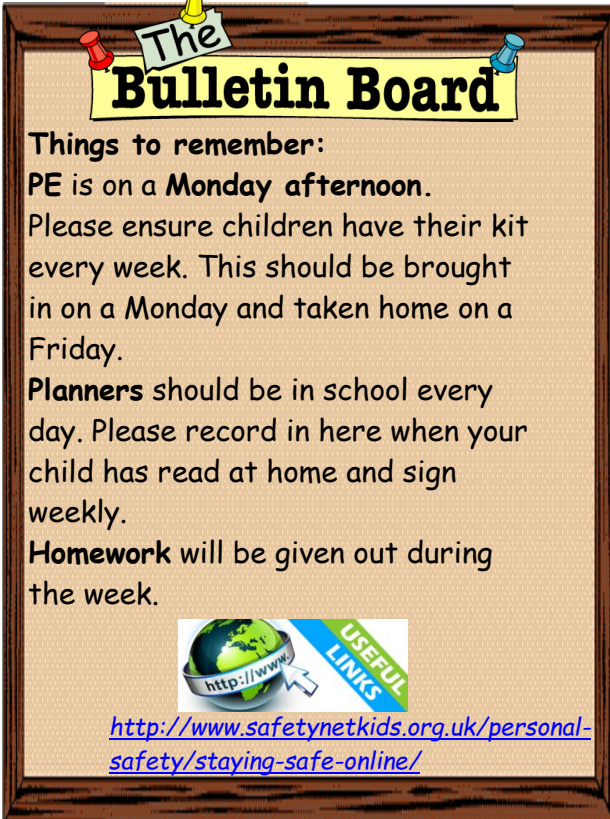
Prey, Habitat, Producer, Predator,
Carnivore, Herbivore, Omnivore.






Other Curriculum Areas

PE - This term, we will be focusing on Athletics. In this topic, pupils will learn different techniques involved in a sprint start, hurdles and other track and field events

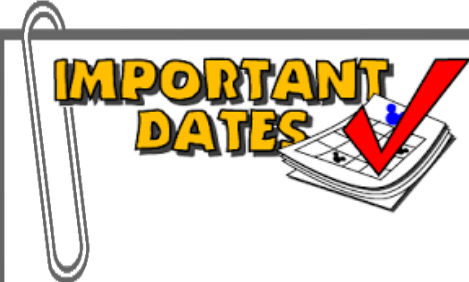


The Bulletin Board

Things to remember:
PE is on a **Monday afternoon**.
 Please ensure children have their kit every week. This should be brought in on a Monday and taken home on a Friday.
Planners should be in school every day. Please record in here when your child has read at home and sign weekly.
Homework will be given out during the week.



<http://www.safetynetkids.org.uk/personal-safety/staying-safe-online/>



IMPORTANT DATES

After School Multi-sports is Mondays.

School Closes - Wednesday 21 July

School Opens (to pupils) - Thursday 2 September

RE

This term, in RE, we will be discussing Creation within the Christian faith. We will read a number of Bible stories which will help illustrate this.



Our Wonderful World

In this Geography topic, we will be looking at 'Wonders of the World' and what makes things special. Children will research mountains and rivers as well as learning about cities on different continents.

Uniform - We are now to be wearing summer uniform - this needs to follow the Academy's uniform policy and be worn correctly.