

Spring Term 2018

Watling Street School

Year 2 Newsletter



Welcome to the Spring Term in Year 2.
This term we will be learning all about:



Maths - In Maths this term we will be learning about fractions and to recognise and find thirds and quarters of lengths, shapes and quantities. We will be writing simple fractions and understand simple equivalent fractions.

We will learn to compare and order numbers from 0-100 using symbols for less than and greater than. We will use place value to help us solve addition, subtraction, multiplication and division problems.

We will also be learning about money and how to use the symbols £ and p in our calculations and word problems. We will also be developing our understanding of the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction, multiplication and division.

English - In English this term we will be exploring fiction texts. We will be making predictions about what might happen in stories and explore good and bad characters and the role they play in traditional stories. We will be sequencing stories and exploring the thoughts and feelings of characters we read about and using our knowledge to develop our story plots. We will work on developing our story openings to a high standard and spend some time working on homophones and suffixes later in the term.

Computing - We will be learning more about algorithms and how to use them to program the beebots.

Science - Our Science topic for the first half term will be 'Growing Plants.' We will be learning about plants and what they need to live and grow. To help us find out we will be observing plants that we grow in school and performing simple tests in school.

Our second Science topic will be 'Changing Shape'. Where we will find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

RE - In Re we will be finding out about the Christian festival of Easter. We will learn about Palm Sunday, the Last supper, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. We will discover why Jesus is important to Christians and learn about the links between Easter and new life.

PE - In PE we will be learning about the way our bodies can move in gymnastics. We will be creating sequences of moves and begin to link them together to create a piece of movement using our bodies in different ways and at different levels and speeds.

PE will be outdoors on Mondays and in the hall on Fridays. Please make sure children have their kit in school all week please.

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Cornerstones- Children will find out about daily castle life and whilst doing so collect technical vocabulary about our subject. They will find out about different types of castles and create a class information book about what they discover.

Children will use Art and DT skills to design and make their own castles and coat of arms using technical vocabulary we have learned.

We will investigate castles from different periods and use ICT to draw and label castles features, this will also use our knowledge of 2D and 3D shapes.

We will explore the story of Rapunzel and investigate it from the point of view of a newspaper reporter so watch out for our edition of 'Castle news.'