

What Are We Learning At The Firs This Term?

In History we will learn about famous people from the past, as well as celebrating Remembrance Day and Black History Month.



This term in **ICT**, Year 2 students are using Purple Mash to develop essential digital skills. In Coding, they will design, write, and debug simple programs by giving characters step-by-step commands. Through Online Safety, children will learn to keep passwords secure, share information safely, and identify trusted adults for help online. Finally, they will develop data skills by learning how to use Effective Searching tools and how to sort information logically using digital pictograms.

In RE we will learn about the religion of Islam. We will be exploring Islamic stories, teachings and celebrations. In the lead up to Christmas, we also be developing our understanding of the Nativity.

In music we will be focusing on our topic of 'The Creepy Castle' which looks at pieces played in the minor key, as well as learning the effects that dynamics can have. We will learn songs, applying dynamics within them, and create our own soundscapes, using dynamics to add effect.

In Science we will explore:

The basic needs of both humans and animals, as well as learning about different food groups and how they inform healthy eating. We will also learn about exercise, good and bad bacteria and how to develop healthy habits.

In PE we will be covering the topics of:
Fundamentals
Team Building
Dance



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Our **PSHE** curriculum uses the Jigsaw programme to explore two main topics this term. First, Being Me in My World helps children understand their classroom community, our school values, and their individual rights and responsibilities. Next, Celebrating Difference teaches acceptance, addresses anti-bullying, and helps children recognise what makes everyone unique.

In Art we will be printing by investigating the marks made by different objects whilst arranging them into repeated patterns. We will also create our own repeating patterns using Purple Mash in ICT.

In **Maths** this term we will focus on, numbers up to 100 as children master Place Value by partitioning numbers into tens and ones, practice Addition and Subtraction using mental and written strategies, and explore the properties of 2D and 3D Shapes. You can easily support this learning at home by asking your child to group everyday objects like buttons or coins into tens and ones to build number confidence. You can also turn daily routines into maths challenges by hunting for 2D and 3D shapes around the house to count their edges and

In Literacy we will continue to develop our reading and writing skills through Read, Write, Inc as well as our new Year 2 Literacy programme, Literacy Tree. In our first story, 'The Bear Under the Stairs', we will be looking at the difference between questions, statements and exclamations; as well as thinking about letter writing techniques, and using conjunctions within our writing. We will attempt to write our own narratives based on the subject of the book.

In Geography we will reinforcing and extending our map skills. We will be exploring aerial views and using this knowledge to help us to design our own maps, including those of the local area.

In Design Technology we will be developing skills to enable us to design, cut and sew our own puppets.