





Y2 Spring 2 Half Termly Overview for Parents and Carers

Ready. Respectful. Safe.



This half term we will be learning the following things. Here are also some useful hints and tips for helping at home.

	At School	At Home
English	<p>This half term in English children will be learning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ To write a character description which includes conjunctions and noun phrases. ◆ To write their own pirate adventure story which includes a range of conjunctions. ◆ To read with increasing prosody. ◆ To answer questions about what we have read independently. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Encourage your child to read their practice book to you 3 times each week. ◆ Take time to enjoy the reading for pleasure book with your child. Read this one to your child so they can hear a fluent reader.
Maths	<p>In maths children will be learning to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ add and subtract numbers using concrete objects, pictorial representations, and mentally, including: a two-digit number and ones, a two-digit number and tens, two two-digit numbers and adding three one-digit numbers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Complete recommended activities on the number sense home learning sheets. ◆ Use Numbots and White Rose 1 Minute Maths apps
Geography	<p>Our investigation question in geography this term is “Where did Captain Cook come from and where did he go to?”. During this topic we will learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ What the UK is ◆ The names of the seven continents and five oceans of the world ◆ What and where the equator and north and south poles are ◆ Which oceans Captain Cooks voyaged across ◆ How Great Ayton compares to Botany Bay 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Practise recalling the names of the seven continents and five oceans ◆ Practise locating and naming the 4 countries of the UK
Computing	<p>This half term our topic is: Information technology around us. In this topic:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Learners will develop their understanding of what information technology (IT) is and will begin to identify examples. ◆ They will discuss where they have seen IT in school and beyond, in settings such as shops, hospitals, and libraries. ◆ Learners will then investigate how IT improves our world, and they will learn about the importance of using IT responsibly. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Identify and discuss how IT is used at home with your child.
D.T.	<p>In D.T. we will be designing, constructing and evaluating a Ferris Wheel. We will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Explore wheel mechanisms ◆ Select appropriate materials ◆ Build and test a moving wheel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Discuss mechanisms that can be found in the home and talk about how they work ◆ Explore the different materials mechanisms are made from and how the material are suited to purpose.

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P.S.H.E.	<p>Our next PSHE topic is 'Healthy Me' during which we will learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ How to keep our bodies healthy ◆ To sort foods into the correct groups ◆ How medicines work in our bodies ◆ To understand what relaxed means and identify things that help us feel relaxed and those which make us feel stressed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Talk about what stress triggers you and your child have ◆ Practise mindfulness together ◆ Prepare a healthy meal together and talk about how it helps our bodies ◆ If you would like access to the PSHE lessons for this half term in more detail, please contact us and we can provide you with an access code.
P.E.	<p>In P.E., pupils will be focusing on invasion games and gymnastics. Children will learn to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Throw and catch a ball accurately ◆ Track an opponent and dodge to beat an opponent ◆ The difference between stretching and curling ◆ How to 'perform' with good starting and finishing positions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Encourage your child to take part in daily physical exercise. 
R.E.	<p>This half term we will continue to explore the question 'How and why do we celebrate special times?'. Children will learn about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Festivals in Christianity including Christmas, Easter and Pentecost ◆ The significance of Jewish rituals and practices during different festivals ◆ How Muslims celebrate Eid-ul-Fitr ◆ Compare the importance of the symbol of light within different festivals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Discuss what festivals you celebrate as a family. ◆ Discuss how different people believe different things and that all beliefs should be respected.
Music	<p>This half term our topic is 'Zootime'. During this topic, children will learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ To listen to and appraise reggae music ◆ To use their voices and instruments, listen and sing back, then listen and play their own answer using one or two notes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Listen to music together and discuss what you like or dislike about it.
Useful Websites	<p>play.numbots.com</p> <p>www.purplemash.com</p> <p>Google Y2 BBC Bitesize for English, Maths, Science, GPS and much more</p> <p>White Rose 1 Minute Maths app</p>	