

YEAR TWO

 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2024

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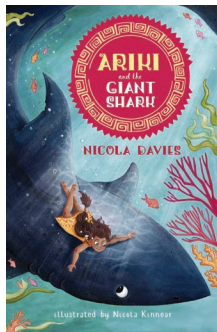
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SCHOOL ROUTINES AND EQUIPMENT

Please can you ensure that your child brings in their book bag (link book, reading book and reading journal) a coat and a water bottle to school each day. Even in the summer, we can have heavy showers and we still try and ensure that the children play outside for break and lunchtime as much as possible.

END OF KS1 ASSESSMENT TESTS

Year 2 will be completing end of Key Stage assessment tests this term. These are now non-statutory but the children will complete papers in June for maths and reading to inform our end of year teacher judgements only.

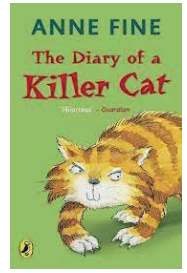
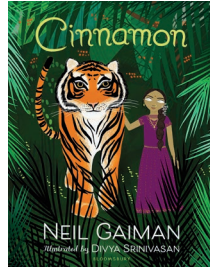


CLASS READS

We will continue with our current class read of Ariki and the Giant Shark by Nicola Davies and then we will start Planet Omar by Zanib Mian.

ENGLISH

In English this term we will be continuing to develop the children's writing skills through a range of engaging and interesting texts. Some of these books include, Cinnamon by Neil Gaiman and Diary of a Killer Cat by Anne Fine.



HISTORY

In history we will be learning about 'Toys Over Time'.



This is a really fun unit for the children where they get a chance to explore and compare toys from the past and present. During the unit, the children will be answering the following questions: How have toys changed over time? Would you rather play with toys from the past or toys from today?

MATHS

We will cover measurement and data handling as well as solving a range of problems using the four operations. We will be learning to tell the time to the nearest five minutes. If your children can start telling the time regularly at home this will support their progress. Furthermore, we will be learning to calculate using money.



SCIENCE

We will continue to learn about materials and their properties. We will be taking the opportunity, in the warmer weather, to get outside and spend time in the nature area and Forest School where we will be exploring plants.

PE

This term we will be developing the children's skills in striking and fielding games, they will be learning ways to send and receive a ball, as well as practising their athletics skills, in readiness for sports day.

BOOK TALK

The children will continue to receive a book talk task each week which will then be discussed in class. This is important to develop the children's oracy skills as well as the knowledge and understanding of a range of books.

TIMES TABLES

The children did an amazing job during our school TT Rockstars competition and this worked well to improve their confidence as well as their recall of the 2, 5 and 10 times table facts. However, we will focus on these tables again in term 5 and practise the related division facts for them.

SPELLING

The children will continue to be given spellings each week to practise at home in creative ways.

We will use quizzes and games and tests to help the children practise these in school and assess their progress. Children are continuing to highlight the year 2 common exception words that they have proven they consistently know to the spell in the back of their class spelling book.



RE

In RE this term we will be answering the following questions: Does completing Hajj make a person a better Muslim? Is it possible to be kind to everyone all of the time?

COMPUTING



Our first unit in computing is called We Are Animators where the children will be using the Stop Motion Animation App to record their own animation.

In our final term our unit is called 'We are Games Testers' and we will be exploring simple programming.

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Children will start their cooking unit and learn how to make a Moroccan salad. After this the children will learn about mechanisms and will be creating a moving toy which will be linked to our history unit.



GEOGRAPHY

In Geography, we will be answering the key question: 'How is the Sahara Desert different to the United Kingdom?'