

### Year 2 Autumn - term 2



#### Writing:

Children will explore a range of poetry and discuss their likes and dislikes. They will explore the features found in some poems before researching, planning and writing a poem of their own to perform in front of an audience.

#### Maths:

Children will apply their retrieval skills of number and place value to addition and subtraction. They will also practise fluency, reasoning and problem solving within the concept of money.

#### Science:

Children will observe the changes that happen across the four seasons, Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter.

They will observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how the day length varies for where we live and then compare to other places around the world.

#### Music:

Children will celebrate and learn about Christmas through the song, 'Ho Ho Ho' using games, singing and the use of instruments..

# Our topic is: How's the weather?



What impact does where you live in the world have on the weather?

#### Hook

We will be exploring what we know about the four seasons. We will work collaboratively to explore our environment and collect objects to make a collage, expressing our understanding of weather and climates.

#### **Express**

Children will perform their poetry to the Year 3 children and teach them about the changes of the seasons.

#### Geography

Children will use their retrieval knowledge to help them name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom.

They will identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the UK and compare to other areas considering their location to the equator.

#### **Computing:**

Children will develop their understanding of what technology is by discussing where they have seen it being used around the world. They will investigate how technology can be used safely.

#### Art:

Children will explore a range of textile projects where the artists have used fabric. We will look closely at the artist Amanda Hislop and how she uses the technique of weaving in her artwork. We will then practise this skill for a seascape design.

#### PE:

Children be using their social skills to work with others, learning how to jump and land safely.

#### RE:

Children will engage in the concept of 'Journeys' through the story of Babushka.

#### **PSHE:**

Children will be learning the importance of having and building positive and healthy relationships. They will also explore and celebrate diversity.

### Home learning opportunities!

## **PE:** Our PE days are **Mondays** (Seals swimming) and **Fridays**.

Please ensure children wear suitable PE clothing as the colder weather approaches so they can take part in outdoor PE.

#### **Creative Zone:**

Wrap up warm and go explore the changes of Winter.

What differences can you notice as you explore the environment around you?

In English, we will be writing poems. Children can practise their poetry skills at home by writing about their findings of Winter.



#### Maths:

This half term we will be exploring money. Give your child an opportunity to see how money is used in everyday context by letting them help you pay for shopping.

We will also be applying our retrieval skills of number so help your child at home by ordering numbers from smallest to largest, comparing numbers and explaining the parts of a number.

#### **Reading:**

We promote the importance of reading and would actively encourage children to read at home. Children will be provided with reading passports to record their reading. Try asking your child questions about what they have read so far in order to check their understanding.

If your child has a phonics book, this needs to be changed every *Friday*.

If your child has a coloured book, this can be changed *daily*.

#### Dates:

Monday November 4<sup>th</sup> – Inset Day

Friday November 15th – Children in Need

Monday November 18<sup>th</sup> – School photos

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Year 2 disco

Monday December 9th – Seals last swim

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas jumper and dinner day

Tuesday December 17<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Fayre

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Year 2 Christmas Carols

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of school. Children to finish at 13:30