

# Year 2 Summer term 2



# Writing:

Children will read 'The Twits' by Roald Dahl and use descriptive language to describe the characters. They will also write about their own trick to play on the characters in the style of the author.

### Maths:

Compare and order lengths, mass, volume/capacity and use the appropriate standard units, using rulers, scales, thermometers and measuring vessels.

### **Science:**

Children will be working collaboratively to design, make and evaluate a parachute fit for purpose to protect and prevent an egg from cracking. We will revisit materials and their properties from the beginning of the year in order to choose the best materials to make their projects.

### Music:

This Unit of Work consolidates the learning that has occurred during the year, focused around revisiting songs and musical activities, a context for the History of Music and the beginnings of the Language of Music.

# Our topic is: Inventors



How do ideas turn into inventions?

### Hook

Children will look at a range of different inventions that have changed the world. They will debate what invention, in their opinion, has changed the world the most. What inventions could they not live without?

### **Express**

In a Dragon Den style the children will pitch their inventions to a panel of judges.

### **PSHE:**

Children will explore and discuss ways that they will change throughout their lives. They will also celebrate how each person is unique and special.

### PE:

Children will develop and apply their ball chasing and floor work balance through competitive games.

## **Computing:**

Children will be practising the basic computing skills such as typing, editing and formatting. They will then use these skills to type their stories from their writing lessons in English.

### DT:

Children will design, make and evaluate a functional, moving vehicle. They will consider and select from a wide range of materials and tools to make their vehicle fit for purpose.

### RE:

Children will explore the concept of change and understand that some changes we face are by choice and some are not and recall a story about Jesus and how Christians believe he changed their lives.

### **History**

Children will explore changes within living history by observing inventions throughout time and explaining how these have impacted our daily lives. They will then create their own inventions and deliver a pitch to a panel of judges to persuade them to buy their invention.

# Home learning opportunities!

PE: Our PE days are Mondays and Fridays.

Please ensure children wear suitable PE clothing in line with our school uniform policy. No football kits to be worn please.

# **Creative Zone:**

Inventions are all around us and they make our world a better and easier place to live. Go on a walk and identify any inventions you can see along the way.

Get together with older family members and discuss how the world has changed for them over time.

Discuss how the world could change in the future.

# Maths:

This half term we will be sitting our Year 2 assessments.

Please support your child by helping them at home with addition and subtraction equations, telling the time and basic multiplications such as 3 groups of 10.

# **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.

We no longer have coloured book bands. Instead, your child will have an AR level book. This is to be kept for the week and changed in our Wednesday library sessions.

Phonics Books will continue to be changed weekly on a Thursday.

ALL READING PASSPORTS TO BE COLLECTED ON THURSDAYS.

# **Spellings:**

We will be sending home a list of spelling words for your child to learn. Please encourage them to do this regularly.

#### Dates:

### Monday 2<sup>rd</sup> June

Key Stage 1 assessments begin

# **Monday 16th June**

Class photos

### Tuesday 24th June

Disco after school – 4:00-5:00

### Monday 30<sup>th</sup>/Tuesday 1st July

Transition days in new classes

### Tuesday 8th July/Wednesday 9th July

Portsmouth museum trip

## **Thursday 24th July**

Last day – finish at 1:30