

Year 2 Newsletter

Advent Term 2019



English

This term we will be looking at Traditional Tales. You may want to share a tale from your own country with your child! The children will also be reading 'The Gingerbread Man' and writing recounts, stories and instructions based on this, as well as actually making gingerbread men.

You could help your child by reading some traditional stories at home and talking about their similarities and differences.

Later in the term, Year 2 will be looking at writing letters and information texts. We will also discuss repetitive poetry and songs and the features and layout of these.

Maths



To start the term, the children will be securing their knowledge of place value; rehearsing their number facts and calculations. We will then be practising and securing the operations of addition and subtraction.

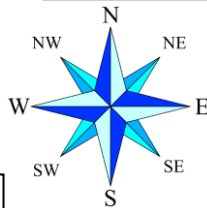
Later in the term, we will look at geometry; identifying and describing the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, including lines of symmetry. Towards the end of the term, we will look at measurement in Maths, specifically time.

Please practise reading both analogue and digital times with your children at home. The children will have the opportunity to improve their mental arithmetic skills weekly.

Don't forget to complete the weekly homework on My Maths (set on a Wednesday, to be completed by the following Monday).

Science

Our first Science topic this term is 'Materials and their uses'. We will be exploring the properties of a variety of materials and why objects are made from particular materials (eg. Glass windows because they are transparent/see-through). Please try to talk to your child about common objects in the house and what they are made from.



Topic

This first half term Year 2 will be learning about the Topic 'Our Places.'

Within this topic, the children will be learning about the local area. They will be looking at maps of the local area and planning their ideal playground and park. To help, please discuss the routes you take when travelling around the area, especially whilst walking with your child.

Please start collecting junk modelling materials (plastic bottles and lids, yoghurt pots, cereal boxes and kitchen roll tubes). We will be collecting these from the middle of September. Our second topic will be 'The Great Fire of London'. We will learn about the cause of the fire in the bakery in Pudding Lane and the devastating effect on the town, as well as making bread ourselves.

