Year 2 Newsletter Pentecost Term 2019

English

We will begin this term by recapping our Grammar skills and applying them in planning and writing an adventure story. We will continue by looking at a variety of books written by the same author – Anthony Browne. Ideas will then be used to write a fiction story. Later in the term, we will also be looking at information texts, in the form of a biography and linking our map skills in Geography to writing instructions for a fantasy land.

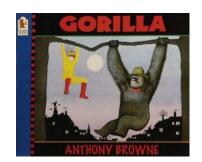
Our final topic will look at the life of Florence Nightingale and other famous people. We will use this as a starting point for writing reports.



This term the Science topic is 'Plants'. We will investigate the things plants need to survive, choosing the best conditions for growth. The children will learn the different names for the parts of a plant and their functions. Perhaps you could grow some seedlings at home?

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Maths

In Maths this term we will start by looking at measuring space. We will then be exploring money which will include calculating change. It would be really beneficial to your child if you could give them the opportunity to use money in real life situations e.g. when they go shopping with you. We will be using data handling skills, including the completion and interpretation of bar charts and pictograms. For the final three weeks, we will look at problem solving and ensuring that the Year 2 mathematics curriculum is fully mastered.



A Tale of Two Cities

This term we are excited to be learning about two cities in two very different countries! We will start by thinking about our local geography, focusing on Luton and London. Later in the topic we will start to contrast and compare, focusing on the Philippines. We will learn about the physical and human geography, as well as looking at the culture.

Towards the end of the topic, we hope to do some food tasting, so we may be looking for budding chefs/volunteers to cook some traditional dishes for us to try. If any parents would like to come in to talk to the children about life in the Philippines or teach us some words in Tagalog/Filipino, you would be very welcome!