



Year 2 Parent Leaflet Autumn 1

Classes: Whales and Dolphins

Our topic this half term is: Wild Adventures and Magical Places



English

Our Power of Reading text is 'Where the Wild Things are'. We will focus on using adjectives and expanded noun phrases in our writing to describe settings and characters. We will also recap skills from Year 1, focusing on capital letters and full stops.

Maths

Place value is our main focus this half term. The children will learn to read and write numbers to 100 in numerals and words, recognise the place value of each digit in a 2-digit number (tens and ones) and count in steps of 2, 3 and 5 from 0. Later in the term, we will move onto addition and subtraction.

Science

We will be exploring the basic needs of animals for survival.

Art

Our topic for Art this half term is 'explore and draw'. This pathway focuses on using natural objects to create pieces of artwork.

RSHE

Our focus this term is 'Be Yourself!' We will be recognising feelings and situations that make us feel a certain way, talking about change and loss and understanding the importance of sharing these feelings. We will also be exploring our wonderful qualities that make us unique and special!

Ongoing learning:

- Daily reading
- Phonics – starting by recapping Level 5 and then moving onto Level 6
- Handwriting practise – In Year 2, we begin to use continuous cursive handwriting.

Key dates and things to remember:

- PE days: Tuesdays, Thursdays (Dolphins) Fridays (Whales)
- PD Day – 23rd October
- Half term week - 26th – 30th October.
- Parents Evening – 4th & 5th November
- School photos - 10th November.
- Children can bring in a healthy snack and must bring a named water bottle in school each day.
- Please bring reading books on your child's book change day.
- Spellings will come home every Friday and must be returned the following Friday.
- Children will change their library books on Friday.

Home Learning expectations:

- Reading at least 3 times a week for 10 minutes which can include comprehension questions.
- Numbots at least 3 times a week for 10 minutes.
- Spelling home learning books at least 2 times a week for 10 minutes.

