



Year 2 Summer Term Newsletter

May 2022



Firstly, a quick reminder of the equipment that all children should have for their lessons this year:

- Atwood Primary School book bag (with their reading records and book banded books in school every day, book changing days will be Monday and Thursday)
- Water bottle
- PE kit – please wear to school on PE days (Monday and Thursday for both classes)

Please ensure that all items are named including uniform.

English

In English, we will read the story of 'The Three Little Pigs and the Big Bad Book', and retell the story with a focus on expanded noun phrases. We will then write our own fairy tale with a twist story. We will also write recounts about our workshop/trip, write a character description of a book or film character, write a letter to the Queen. In Summer 2, we will write a series of explanation texts linked to transport and learn about different types of poetry.

Maths

We will learn about different types of measurement, including: mass, length/height, temperature and capacity. We will connect our learning from last half term about 2D shapes to 3D shapes. We will revisit maths topics we have previously covered with a focus on the use of the 4 operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division).

Science

We will observe how bulbs and seeds grow into mature plants and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy. We will sort seeds and bulbs using observable features and learn how to use simple equipment (e.g. magnifying glasses).

Topic

Our topic for this term is Transport and pupils will find out about the history of flight and a bicycle. They will look at different types of transport around the world and use their geography skills to locate these places on a map. Following our school trip to Eastbourne, we will compare the human and physical characteristics of a coastal town with our local area.

DT & Art

We will design and make a moving vehicle with wheels and axels. When they have finished their vehicle, they will add decoration. In art, the Queen's Jubilee will provide inspiration for a range of art projects, including: a collage of the Union Jack flag, creating a portrait of the Queen (media of choice) and printing a place mat to use at the school tea party.

PE

PE will be taught on a Monday and Thursday. Please wear PE kits to school on these days. In PE, we will learn about the different types of skills needed in athletics, including running, jumping and throwing. We will design our own games in a small group. Each day we will complete the daily mile.

RE

We will begin learning about Islam and thinking about authority and worship. We will look at Eid, Ramadan and learn about sacred and inspirational writings.

Music

We will explore how music can make us think and feel. We will make patterns and use those patterns to make music with both percussion instruments and digital tools. We will also create different rhythms and tunes, using the movement of animals for inspiration. We will share our creations and compare creating music digitally and non-digitally. We will also learn how to play and sing in an ensemble.

RSE

We will learn about babies and birth and about the process of growing from young to old. We will find out the difference between secrets and surprises and understanding not to keep adults' secrets. This will also link with e-safety. We will learn about personal space. They will also revise how to stay clean and about personal hygiene.

Homework

Homework is sent home on a Friday and due in on the following Wednesday. This will consist of a maths facts task, numbots/mathletics and a science, topic **or** English task. After we have assessed the children in counting in 2s, 5s and 10s (if ready, some children will be assessed on their times tables), we will also send home personalised times tables to learn. This will be re-assessed every 2 weeks.

Reading

Pupils are expected to read for at least 10 minutes every night and this will be closely monitored. Please ensure you are asking comprehension questions and encouraging children to read with expression. Children are able to change their books on a Monday and Thursday.

Workshops

Fizz Pop Science Workshop, Superhero workshop & Eastbourne trip.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions you may have.

Yours sincerely,

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