

Curriculum Coverage Overview – Spring Term 1 2023/2024

Year 2

English: Text: Meerkat Mail

Fiction: This story focusses on self-exploration, believing that the grass is greener, leaving home and coming back again. The children will learn about 'Sunny' the meerkat who lives with his extended family in the Kalahari Desert and is fed up with two things – the place where he lives and the people (or meerkats!) he lives with. The children will learn the features of postcards as they appear throughout the story and write recounts through postcards. At the end of the unit, they will go on to write their own narrative of the story.

Reports: The children will learn the features of reports and research on African animals which also links to their Science topic. They will make notes on interesting facts and use this information to organise and write their own reports.

Science: Living things and their habitats

In this Science unit, the children will learn that living things are identified with 7 characteristics and that living things need food, water and exercise to survive. The children will also learn that humans need the right amount of food (balanced diet), hygiene and exercise to stay healthy. They will begin to understand that foods are divided into 5 main groups. The children will end this unit by gaining an understanding of the importance of hygiene; humans need to keep their bodies and habitats clean to stay healthy.

Geography: Exploring Safari/Kenya

In this unit, Year 2 will go on a safari to Africa with this Geography unit on Kenya! They will join explorers as they visit Kenya and meet the people, wildlife and landscapes. They will learn where Kenya is on a map and undertake a variety of fun activities to help them learn more about Kenya and compare it to the UK.

Computing: Digital Photography

This term in computing, the children will have the opportunity to learn about taking photos with various devices that they have access to. We will focus on the format of pictures and look at what makes a good picture. There will be an investigation on the effect of light on the quality of an image and finally we will edit photos using the adjust tool to change effects of an image.

Art: African Art

This scheme of work will teach children new art techniques through the exploration of a different continent. Painting, beadwork, sculpting, cutting and drawing are some of the many skills Year 2 will develop and practice during this engaging art scheme of work. They will explore the colours and patterns of the African landscape and native tribes.



IPSHE: Mindfulness

The children will engage in mindful activities, focusing on what makes them happy, identify how different emotions feel and look as well as explore how to manage their own feelings. They will also learn how to deal with loss and recognise what they can do to help themselves or others who may feel unhappy.

Arabic

In Arabic this term, the children will learn to:

- Give directions
- Use pronouns: (هَذَا - هَذِهِ)
- New everyday vocabulary
- Use new prepositions
- Role-play: Where is my cat?

Maths

Money

Children will learn to count money in pence and pounds and use notes and coins to make required amounts, and compare amounts of money. Furthermore, they will make calculations with money for example total costs of multiple objects as well as making a pound and finding change from a given amount.

Multiplication and division

Children will look at making and adding equal groups for multiplication and division. This will be used to create multiplication and division sentences from pictures using symbols and arrays. They will tie in doubling and halving with numbers up to 20 (double 20). Finally, we will recall our 2, 5 and 10 timetables whilst learning how to divide by 2, 5 & 10 too.

PE: Throwing and Catching

PE DAY: Friday

The 'Throwing and Catching' unit for Year 2 builds upon the skills the children have learnt in Year 1. They learn to throw and catch, running and jumping in isolation and together. They will learn to roll a ball with the right amount of force to hit a target and to stop it dead with their hands. They learn to bounce a ball whilst running and develop their balance skills.

Islamic Studies: Seerah

This term, we will be covering the history of the life of the prophet s.a.w. We will be looking into the early life of the prophet Muhammad s.a.w including the story of the Cave of Hira, the First Revelation, the First Believers, Open call to Islam and the Persecutions faced by the early Muslims.

Hadeeth: The virtues of using the right hand.

Surah and Duaa Memorisation:

Surah Takathur, Surah Qariah, Dua to Increase someone's knowledge, when climbing, when descending and 4th Kalimah Tawheed.

Qaaidah/Quraan:

To focus on tajweed rules – Laam of Allah, Raa Mutaharrik, Raa Sakinah and Meem Saakin Rules.