



Autumn 1: Learning in Year 2



English

We will be describing the characters in Grandad's Island. Then we will be linking our poetry writing to our DT topic of textiles. We will be retelling stories using correct punctuation, pronouns and phrases. The children will be focusing on Sentence structure with Mrs Whittaker on Thursday to build upon their basic writing skills.

Supporting your child with their learning

- Read with your child 3x a week.
- Support them to complete their homework every week.
- Check their planner for any notes or messages.

What we are reading this half term:

- Grandad's island in our reading unit!
- Aesop's Fables- The Goose that laid the Golden Eggs.

Science

Living things and their habitats. We will focus on what is alive and what is not whilst discussing that something once were alive. The children will develop an understanding of identification of how animals obtain food, comparison between living and dead things and the basic needs of animals and plants.

Geography/History

In Geography, our focus is human and physical features where we will understand the difference and the components. History is all about events beyond living memory. We will be focusing on the Great Fire of London and the factors that caused the fire.

Maths

This half term we will be focusing on place value and using base 10 to recognise our 1s and 10s. We will also be finding 1s and 10s on a number line.

Computing

We will be using an unplugged approach to look at computer systems and networks.

Art / DT

In Art we will be focusing on drawing – experimenting with applying a varied amount of pressure to create depth. DT this half term is Textiles where we will create our own patchwork item.

P.E

We have a judo instructor in every Thursday to share his skills and expertise!

Educational / Enrichment Visits

A walk to the cinema which relates to our science topic of living things.

PSHE

Our focus is health and nutrition. We will be exploring foods that are healthy and unhealthy and understanding why sometimes it is difficult to make healthier choices. We will also be understanding the effects of lack of exercise and sleep on the body.

Music

We have an untuned focus this half term and will be experimenting with sounds. We will be using the instruments to explore rhythm, tone and volume.

R.E

Our R.E focus is Creation and Covenant which explores the books from the Bible in both the Old and the New Testament. We will deepen our understanding of the Creation Story and explore artwork that provides an alternate representation. We will also focus on Noah's story and understand how he would feel a various parts of the story.

The Gospel Value this half term is **Honesty**.