

Year 2 News



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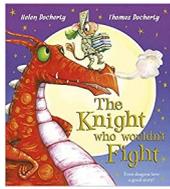
June 2021

Welcome back Year 2!

We hope you had a wonderful break. The Year 2 staff are looking forward to having you back ready for some great learning in our last term together in Year 2. Let's make it one to remember!

English

Continuing with the historical theme of castles, we will be looking at different fiction texts in English to enrich our writing. We will read 'The knight who wouldn't fight' and the e-book 'Knights and Dragons. Unite!' to help us to write cohesive narratives. This will allow the children to use different sentence types such as compound and complex sentences, questions, statements and exclamations and interesting vocabulary choices for adjectives, verbs and adverbs.



Our grammar focus this half term will include: suffixes (words ending in -ed, -ing, -ful, -less, -ness, -ment). We will also recap all previously learnt grammar to help embed our knowledge and use of them in writing.



Maths

We will first be looking at position and direction using our fraction knowledge to help identify rotations and movement and we will learn the term 'right angle'. We will then continue to look at time, learning to tell time to 5 minutes and begin to problem solve with intervals of time. Finally, we will spend the last few weeks consolidating our place value and four operations.



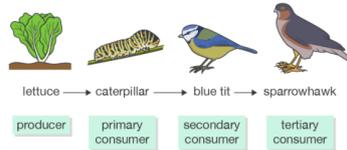
Geography

In geography, we will be using aerial maps to study the geography of our local area (Sheffield) and the wider area (Lincoln) recognising key human and physical features and key landmarks. We will then compare these two maps noting the similarities and differences. Additionally, we will look at map keys and symbols and draw our own maps using this knowledge.



Science

In science we will first be covering Year 1 science of animal groupings (mammals, reptiles, amphibians, birds and fish) missed last year due to the first lockdown.



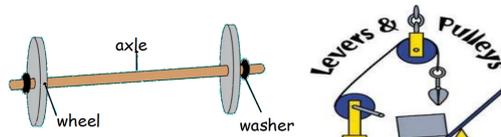
After, we will begin by looking at food chains to show how plants and animals get their energy.

Then we will move onto plant and animal adaptations in order to survive in their habitat. We will also learn how plants and animals depend and rely on each other for survival.



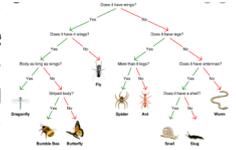
DT

This half term we the children will get the opportunity to research, design, make and evaluate vehicles that can be used to carry goods. We will be focusing on the mechanisms of wheels and axles, pulleys and levers as well as making sure our vehicles can travel over different terrains.



Computing

In computing we will be learning about branching databases. This is a way to organise or store data and information by asking yes / no questions.



PE

In PE we will be working on our games skills learning about how to work successfully as a team and team how to give each other constructive feedback.



Children should come dressed in their PE kit on their PE days

(white t-shirt, dark shorts, leggings/joggers and a sweater together with trainers/plimsolls). During lessons they will need to **remove all jewellery**. If your child is unable to do PE, they *must* present a note explaining why they are exempt.

RE

In RE we will be looking at the meaning of spirituality and how different religions and people who have no religion have various beliefs and values. We will explore the Jewish and Christian spiritual story of 'Abraham and the Stars' focusing on the views and feelings of others.

Spellings

Each week, your child will have 5 or 6 spelling words to practise at home for a test each week.



Home Learning

Home learning tasks will be set weekly on Google Classroom and maths homework is set on My Maths. Additionally, we have provided extra activities (in a grid style) linked to our learning in school. Please inform your class teacher if you have trouble accessing Google Classroom or have lost your My Maths log-on details.