## News

Welcome to Year 2! We are excited to welcome you back and hope you are all well. We have a half term full of exciting and challenging learning experiences. There will be a 'Meet the Teacher' meeting on Tuesday 9th September at 9am. You will have the opportunity to meet your child's new teacher and be informed about the Year 2 expectations. We look forward to meeting you all.

# **Literacy**

In Literacy we will begin the term with the story Lila and the Secret of Rain by David Conway. By the end of this topic, we would have written a setting description and the children will retell the story in their own words.

Follow this video to learn about settings: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpccwmn/articles/z8mqsrd

Please ensure that children are reading everyday and that they are practising joining up their handwriting.

#### Science

This half term our topic will be 'Animals need for survival'. Children will be learning about different types of animals including mammals, reptiles, amphibians, fish, birds and humans.

You can support your child by discussing the different animal/ mammal groups and their similarities and differences Click on the link for ideas and discussion points

<u>Classifying Animals KS1 | Reptiles, Amphibians, and Birds</u> (youtube.com)

# **Computing**

Children will learn how information technology (IT) is used in our everyday lives. We will start with IT in the home and then explore how IT is used in places such as shops, libraries, and hospitals. They will discuss the responsible use of technology, and how to make smart choices when using it.

## <u>Art</u>

In art this term we will be learning about colour with a focus on drawing and painting around the theme 'Birds Of Paradise'. They will be learning about how to draw lines of different thickness and how to use colours to create different tones.

#### Geography

This term our topic is 'Would you prefer to live in a hot or cold place?' The children will be locating and describing the seven continents, locating hot and cold places and describing them using topic vocabulary. They will be building on their investigating skills and exploring weather, writing about it using key vocabulary and explaining whether they live in a hot or cold place.

#### <u>Music</u>

Children will learn songs, learn to play recorder and learning about musical terms such as beat, rhythm, pitch, high and low.

# Maths

This term, children will consolidate their fluency in count ing in steps of 2, 3, 5 and 10 from any number, forwards and backwards. They will practice read ing and writing numbers to 100 in numerals and words correctly. Children will learn to recognise the place value of each digit in a two-digit number (tens and ones). They will then partition two – digit numbers into tens and ones to demonstrate their understanding of place value. They will order numbers to 100, compare numbers using the <. > and = signs and will

Support your child's learning by playing this interactive game on place value:

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/place-value-basketball

#### **PSHE**

Children will be will be building on their understanding of the 'The Zones of Regulations'. They will continue to use this to identify and speak about their feelings. They will also learn that we all have similarities and differences and that we should still accept and respect one another.

## P.E

In P.E. children will be learning about dance and gymnastics. We will be linking actions to create a sequence and simple movement patterns. Children will be given the opportunity at the end of the unit to perform their own dances.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to make an appointment with your child's teacher.

Thank you

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