



Year 2 Curriculum Letter

**Autumn 2
2023**

Welcome to Year 2!

We hope you have had a restful break and are ready for Year 2. If you have any questions about your child's progress or other matters, please speak to your class teacher or Mrs Kennedy-Medford by making an appointment via the email learning@wembleyprimary.brent.sch.uk. There is a lot to do this half term, so we hope this letter will enable you to support your child with their learning at home.

English

In Literacy we will begin the term with the story Snow White in New York. Children will be writing setting and character descriptions. We will have an exciting 1920s dress-up day to learn all about the lifestyle of the characters in the story. Children will enjoy games, art and even learn a Charleston dance to some 1920's music!

This term, children learn and perform a poem and will also be using descriptive language to write their own poems. We will be looking at different features of poetry such as onomatopoeia, repetition, alliterations, rhyme. The Puffin Book of Fantastic First Poems Book by June Crebbin

Science

This half term our topic will be 'Shaping Up' which is about materials, how we use and re-use them. Children will be using different scientific vocabulary to describe the properties of materials. You can support your child by helping them to recognise what different materials there are around your house, and recycling them to make different objects. The knowledge organisers for this topic are on our website.

Computing - Robot algorithms

Children will develop their understanding of simple programming – giving instructions and predicting what will happen. They will use given commands in different orders to investigate how the order affects the outcome. Children will also design algorithms and then test those algorithms.

Art

Children will learn how to create art using the properties of line, tone, colour, texture, pattern, shape and form. They will be able to recognise when they are using these qualities and describe what they are doing.

Maths

Children will be beginning the term applying their knowledge of addition to add one and two-digit numbers. Children will use pictures, objects and number lines to help them. Following to that, children will be multiplying and dividing using arrays. Children will also be working daily on their fluency of halving, doubling and number bonds.

In year 2, children need to know their **2, 3, 5 and 10 multiplications**. They need to recall these at speed and learn the division facts to go with them. Please support your child to learn these times tables. Education City is a useful website to support with this: <https://www.educationcity.com/learn-your-times-tables-with-educationcity/>

Geography

This term children will compare the physical and human features of Jamaica to England. They will be using aerial photographs to identify landmarks and basic human and physical features. They will also compare how their lives as children compare to the lives of children in Jamaica. During this topic, children will also have the opportunity to learn a little about the culture and compare it to their lives in England.

Music

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

Religion and World Views

The children will become acquainted with worn symbols of belonging in different religions (Cross, Tallit, Kippah, 5K's in Sikhism) and begin to identify the meaning of and the beliefs about God that these symbolic items show.

P.E

In P.E. children will be focussing on balance and agility. They will be participating in activities using mirror games, balancing activities and peer group challenges. Children will be encouraged to use their social skills to aid them in group tasks.

PSHE

Pupils will also learn that we all have similarities and differences and that we should still accept and respect one another.

Thank you

Ms Carty 2W

Mrs Maher 2P

Ms Rizvi

Mrs Amoni



Year 2 Home Learning Autumn 1

Please complete all three challenges Monday 18th December. Learning is to be submitted on google classroom or in your red home learning.

Science Year 1: Materials

Design a boat using different materials. Think about which material you should use for each part of the boat.

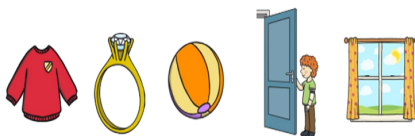
What material will help your boat to float?

Make your boat and test it. Don't forget to take pictures.

Look at these five materials

wood metal plastic fabric glass

Choose which material you would use for the following objects.



Draw a line to match each object with the material they are made from



plastic

fabric

metal

wood

Geography Year 1— Local Area

Circle four directional language words

left

school

far

map

right

near

Use the above vocabulary to write a set of directions to your bedroom, classroom or another room in your home or school. Can you write directions to show how you would get to your local shop.

Super Power of Looking

You are going to analyse the Renaissance piece of art and discuss the points below with your parent. You can submit answers on Google classroom or in your red book. Also write what your parent has said.

This painting is called '[The Adoration of the Kings](#)' (1510-1515).

1. What do you think is going on here?
2. Who or what does the artist want us to look at first?
3. How are the kings identified in the painting?
4. Who are the key figures in this painting and how is this made clear?
5. Is there anything kingly about the child?



Compulsory Homework—Maths Fluency Focus

Week 1: Write all number bonds to 20 example: $18 + 2 = 20$

Week 2: Use known number bonds to 10 to write out number bonds to 100

Week 3: Write a sentence for the following conjunctions and, because and but.

Week 4: Use adjectives to describe your local area.

Week 5: Write six sentences about what you would like to achieve next year in 2024.

A weekly spelling quiz will take place on a Friday and new spellings will be given on a Friday. Reading books will be changed on Mondays and Fridays