

Year 2 Curriculum Overview - Summer Term (1)

Our topic this term is: **Wind in the Willows**

English:

In English we will be looking at animal adventure stories, such as *The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark*. We will sequence and discuss the main events in the story as well as discuss key vocabulary within the context of the text. After reading the text, we will make inferences about characters and events using evidence from the text as well as giving opinions and supporting our opinions with reasons. We will have the opportunity to write our own animal story or chapter.

Following on from this, we will be writing recount letters in the role of a character. We will explore a range of letters and understand the features and layout of a letter. We will remember to think about our audience and purpose when writing our letters. When writing our letter, we will focus on the use of apostrophes for contracted forms and the use of suffixes.

Maths:

We will be focusing on measurements for the first part of the term. We will build on prior knowledge of measuring length and height and will be using both standard and non-standard units to measure.

Following on from this, we will be moving onto position and direction. We will be using new language to describe movement, turns, practically follow and give directions, before writing directions and recording routes on 2-D grids. We will also be describing and creating patterns that involve direction and turns.

For the latter part of the half term, we will be look at solving problems and consolidating our learning.

Topic:

This half term in Theme we will be focusing on living things and their habitats. We will explore and compare the differences between living, dead and things that have never been alive. We will also identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and we will look at how different habitats provide the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants and how they depend on each other. We will identify and name a variety of of plants and animals in their habitats, including micro-habitats.

Following on from this, we will learn about how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals, using the idea of a simple food chain. This will link to animal survival and growth where we will find out about and describe the basic needs of animals for survival.

In Relationships Education, we will be focusing on online relationships. We will look at the rules for staying safe online, how to safely use the internet and the importance of reporting to adults when we feel unsafe online.

In Health Education, we will be learning about basic first aid. This will consist of calling for help and head injuries.