



Key Texts

Children will read 1:1 in small groups and in guided reading sessions. We will be developing our fluency and pace and stamina.

In guided reading we will develop our retrieval and inference skills.

Children should read 3X per week at home. Reading records will be marked on Fridays.

Children will also visit the new school library weekly.

We are reading...



Homework

How can you help at home?

- Read at home 3 or more times a week
- Homework & spellings will come home on a Friday **please return before Thursday.**
- School 360 games
- Maths homework based on what your child has been learning in school.

Maths

We will learn about money and multiplication and division

- Count money – pounds and pence
- Make and compare amounts of money
- Find change
- Two-step problems involving money
- Make and add equal groups
- Introduce and use the x symbol
- 2, 5 and 10 times tables
- Divide by 2, 5 and 10

English

In **English** we will be learning about stories and poetry.

We will be listening to and discussing a wide range of poetry. We will prepare poems to read aloud and to perform.

We will be extending our sentences using conjunctions. We will practice applying our phonic knowledge of the Set 2 and 3 sounds to our independent writing.

We will begin to edit our own writing and make corrections, suggesting how our work can be improved.

Science

Animals including humans

In Science this term, we will be investigating animals including humans. We will be naming different body parts of humans and animals and labeling them. Children will understand that humans have 5 senses and learning how we use them. Understand that we must look after our bodies.

Please send in to school a photograph of your child as a baby and a toddler for w/c 30.01.23

Seasonal changes

We will also be learning about the changes experienced in different seasons.



Geography

Why don't penguins need to fly?

Where are the hot and cold places on Earth?

Children will learn about hot and cold places in the world and how living things have to adapt to survive in such places – the more extreme the environment, the more specialised the adaptation. By comparing a number of environments, children will be able to identify and describe similarities and differences between places in the world and offer reasons for why such differences exist.

D&T

Textiles – In design and technology, the children will make a felt puppet based on well-known nursery rhymes. They will appraise and analyse a selection of puppets, identifying how these are made. Children will practice various techniques to aid them in the creation of their final felt puppet piece. Children will evaluate their puppet, identifying strengths and weaknesses. They will learn about **Thomas Saint** a Sewing machine inventor and meet a **local textile artist**.

HELP NEEDED!

If you have sewing skills or a textile background, please get in touch! We are looking for some support on a Wednesday and Thursday afternoon.

Music

What are different style of music?

Over the half term, the children will learn about different styles/genres of music. The children will listen to 'In the Groove', which has been arranged in six different styles; Blues, Baroque, Latin, Bhangra, Folk and Funk. Each week children will listen and learn a different style of 'In The Groove.' Children will also listen to a well-known song in that weeks' style.

Computing & French

Data and Information

Labelling, grouping, and searching are important aspects of data and information.

During this unit, children will be logging on to the computers, opening their documents, and saving their documents.

French

Comptines et Chansons - Over the half term we aim to be more familiar with **traditional nursery rhymes in French**.

PSHE & RE

RE

What is the good news that Jesus brings?

This unit focuses on how Jesus was Good News as he brought friendship to the friendless, forgiveness to all and peace. Children will learn about how Jesus' teaching and being an example of good news challenges how Christians try to live now.

PSHE

What are your dreams and goals?

Over the term, we will be looking at our dreams and goals. We will look at what a dream is and how to set goals for ourselves that are achievable. We will be reminded of Growth Mindset and being resilient in our learning and trying no matter how hard things get.

P.E

Year 2 have PE on a **Wednesday** with Mrs O'Dell – Please ensure that your child has a PE kit that stays in school.

We will be using this lesson to promote independence and making sure the children can dress and undress themselves independently.

Year 2 also have PE on a **Friday** with Mrs Williamson, a specialist teacher from the Morpeth Sports Partnership. Please send your child into school wearing their PE kit on this day.