

YEAR 2



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Coming up next week...13/1/2025

Maths

Learning in school:

In maths, children will begin learning about money:

- count money - pence
- count money - pounds, notes and coins
- count money - pounds and pence
- choose notes and coins

English, Reading & Fluency

Learning in school:

In English, children will continue their learning on poetry. Children will be focusing on similes and personification.

Reading:

Reading:

In Year 2 we use 'Bug Club' to teach reading. Children use the knowledge they have gained in their SPAG sessions to decode words alongside their teacher and peers. The stories we read span over a two-week period and throughout this time we focus on different VIPERs - vocabulary, inference, prediction, retrieval and sequence. As well as using role play and storytelling to promote a love of reading.

This week the children will start to look at the Bug Club text 'Junko Tabei'.

This daily shared reading approach has replaced the 1:1 reads. We will use this knowledge combined with phonics assessments and half termly 1:1 reads to inform our tracking of progression in reading and the children will still progress through the phases.

Fluency:

This week, we will look at a poem called 'Question time' by Julia Donaldson.

Please continue to read at home and upload your comments onto the 'BoomReader' app.

SPAG

Learning in school:

Children will be reviewing Phase 5 phonemes, graphemes and tricky words. They will practise reading, writing and spelling using these graphemes.

Topic

Learning in school:

History: Children will be introduced to Ibn Battuta and learning about the different landscapes he crossed, how he crossed them and what he needed to take with him.

RE: Children will be learning about Islam. Children will think about the important question - what do many Muslim families do and why?

Science: Children will be learning about the health and lifecycle of animals.

PSHE: Children will continue with the module 'Keeping myself safe.'

D&T: Children will continue with the module 'Sculpture - Baby Bear's chair'.

Music: Children will continue their music module for this half term, which is called 'Contrasting dynamics'.

Computing: Children will continue their computing module 'Presenting Ideas'.

PE: For this half term, the children will be doing Gymnastics.

Homework

Please look inside your child's homework book for this week's homework slip. Thank you.

Additional notes and reminders

Please could children wear their PE kit to school on their class's PE days. Please also ensure that no earrings are worn on their PE days, or that children can remove these themselves before the PE lesson.

On Friday 17th January 2025, weather permitting, the school will be hosting an external football tournament run by NSSport. 8 children from Year 2 who attend a football club will be fairly selected to participate. If your child has been chosen to take part, you are invited to come and support them. Arrival time 12.40 and it will be finished by 3pm.

Class email addresses:

Please do not use these email addresses to tell us about changes to pick up, as we do not always have the opportunity to check the class email addresses during the school day.

Leopards: leopards@mead.surrey.sch.uk

Bears: bears@mead.surrey.sch.uk

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Please note that as the week progresses it is sometimes necessary to change what is planned to meet the learning needs of the children and therefore changes to the above may occur.