Our School value focus is: Protecting the environment

**Maths:**

**Problem solving and efficient methods**

In maths we will practising the four operations- addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Children will be using bar models to help them see what method they need to choose.

\*Children will solve one and two step word problems by choosing the appropriate operation.

\*Children will solve problems involving money, measure and known number facts.

\*Children will use inverse to help them solve calculations containing missing numbers.

Please continue to practise your 2,5,3 and 10 times tables and related division facts.

***Don’t forget your weekly School Jam homework and TTRS! Please ask for your log in if you are unsure.***

**Creative Curriculum**

**Geography:**

\*This half term children will be learning about the countries and capital cities of the UK.

\* Children will learn the names of the four countries of the UK and will use an atlas to find them on a map of the UK.

\*They will explore some human and physical features of each country.

\*Children will look at how the union jack flag was formed and the significance of each part.

\*Children will use an atlas to find the capital cities of each UK country.

**D&T:**

\*Our focus for this half term is preparing fruit and vegetables.

\*The children will be designing a healthy salad for a consumer and communicating their ideas through talk and drawings.

\*They will use simple utensils and equipment to e.g. peel,

cut, slice, squeeze, grate and chop safely.

\*The children will evaluate ideas and finished products against

**Science:**

\*This half term we will be learning about the uses of everyday materials.

\*The children will be learning to identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses.

\*The children will also find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

**English:**

Our focus text this half term is: The Tear Thief

\*We will be continuing to ensure we are using capital letters and full stops consistently in our writing.

\*Children will write their own fantasy story based on the focus text ‘The Tear Thief’

\* Children will use expanded noun phrases within the descriptions.

\*Children will continue to use conjunctions to extend their sentences.

\* Children will be developing their comprehension skills by accessing daily VIPERS lessons.

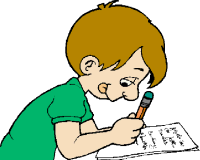
\*Children will be encouraged to begin using contractions within their writing.

\*Children will be encouraged to use apostrophes to show possession in their writing.

All children will take part in daily Read, Write Inc. phonics lessons.

Children will also read texts matched to their phonic ability to increase fluency and accuracy as well as develop their comprehension skills through guided reading.

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**Computing: We are TV Chefs**

In computing children will be producing short videos of themselves making a healthy snack.

\*Children will use different features of a video camera.

\*They will use a video camera to capture moving images.

\*They will work collaboratively.

\*Children will discuss their work and think about how it could be improved.

**Curriculum and Learning Map**

**Year 2 Summer 1**

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**PSHE and R.E**

\*In PSHE we will focus on ‘A happy and healthy me’.

\*Children will learn the correct names for parts of the body.

\*Children learn about how people change as they get older.

\*Children will understand what makes a healthy lifestyle.

\*In RE, the children will be learning about nature.

Through PSHE and RE, children will develop the British Value of Individual Liberty, understanding how their choices can affect others and Respect and Tolerance.

**Other information:**

**Homework:** All homework will be set on SeeSaw. Please make sure that you keep your log in safe. Please send a photo via SeeSaw to share your wonderful homework!

**SPELLINGS:** Your child will be learning how to spell in school following Read, Write, Inc. They will bring home spellings from their RWI teacher following the sounds taught that week. Spelling Tests will be on **FRIDAY.**

***Home reading books:*** *Please return your folders on* ***Friday****, new books will be sent home on* ***Friday.***

**READING:** Please remember to read for at least *20 minutes every night* where possible and write in your child’s reading record weekly.

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**Ways in which you can help your child at home:**   
\*Encourage your children to complete their homework on Seesaw/School Jam each week and read on a daily basis.

\*Practise spelling and reading the Year 1 common exception words regularly.

\*Ask your child about their day in school and encourage them to speak in full sentences, using Standard English.

\* Share books regularly at home and read for enjoyment.

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**Physical Development:**

Indoor PE: **Monday**

Outdoor PE: **Thursday**

Forest School:

*Children need to wear their PE kit to school- all day. We recommend the following for both lessons:*

* *Navy short sleeved t-shirt*
* *Navy sweatshirt or hoodie*
* *Navy/Black jogging bottoms or leggings*
* *Trainers or pumps*

**For safety reasons earrings must be covered with plasters before coming to school so that your child can participate in the lesson.**