

Fairview Community Primary School Termly Newsletter **Year 2 - Term 1**

At Fairview, our school values underpin everything we do and are core to the ethos of our school. Our aim is to develop a community of responsible learners who not only demonstrate collaboration and perseverance in their work, but who also show kindness, respect and honesty towards one another.

Welcome to Year 2! From all of us on the Year 2 team, we hope you had a wonderful Summer and had a well-earned rest! We are about to embark on a fantastic new year with lots of exciting things ahead.

Below, you will find an overview of our curriculum and what we will be learning in each subject this term. We understand this new year brings lots of changes so if you have any questions, please contact your child's class teacher.

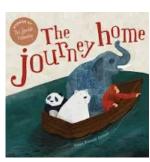
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English

This term, we will be looking at the fictional story, 'The Journey Home'. By the end of the term the children will have learnt



to use persuasive writing, adjectives and iPad to research facts about the animals in the story. We will also have a focus on handwriting, and the children will begin to be taught how to do cursive handwriting.

Maths

In Maths this term, we will start by looking at place value. We will be recognising numbers up to 100 in

different forms i.e. writing them in numerals as well as



words, partitioning 2-digit numbers using a part-part whole model and ordering numbers on a number line. Additionally, we will be counting forwards and backwards in different intervals; ones, twos, fives and tens. Towards the end of the term, we will move onto addition and subtraction and will begin by recalling the number bonds to 10 and 20.

Science

In Science this term, we will be exploring

the topic
'Animals
including
Humans –
Growth'. This is
an exciting topic
where we get to
take part in



some interesting experiments. We will start by looking at what animals and humans need to be able to survive and grow. We will then be describing what a healthy balanced diet looks like and how we can incorporate one in our own lives. Finally, we will investigate the impact that exercise has on our bodies.

Geography

This term, we will be introducing our critical question 'Why is our world wonderful?'. Our



whole-school curriculum intent is to explore our topics, from a "home, near and far" perspective. We will build our knowledge of the world by naming and locating the 7 continents on a world map, locate the equator, North and the South Poles, describe some similarities and differences between the UK and Kenya, investigate the weather, recognise the features of hot and cold places and finally locate some countries with hot or cold climates on a world map.

Computing

In computing this term, we will begin

by reminding ourselves how to stay safe when using the internet. Our main focus this term will be word processing. We strart by using Purple Mash's



touch-typing programme. We will then explore Microsoft Word by creating our own document and learning how to save it, retrieve it and amend it. We will look at how to spell check, how to insert images and the ability to edit font sizes, types and colours.

Art

This term we will be drawing a map of our journey to school, including key

landmarks. By the end of the unit we will design a print with simple lines



and shapes and transfer onto a polystyrene tile.

RE

We will be starting the year by thinking about types of questions. We will then be

exploring the question 'why do we need to give thanks?' We will do this by looking into harvest, as



well as how Christians and Hindus give thanks.

PΕ

In PE this term, our indoor PE sessions will be gymnastics where we will begin to link



different movements to form a short routine. For our outdoor sessions we will be learning about Attack, Defence and Shoot. These sessions will focus on skills across a range of sports rather than the sports themselves. We will look at how to control a ball with our foot and bouncing a ball to pass.

PSHE

In PSHE this term, we will be exploring the topic "Being Me In My World". We will be discussing how we are responsible for our own actions



and how our behaviour impacts on others. We will identify our class rules and how we can all help to make our classroom a safe and fair place. We will have lots of discussions about our hopes and fears for this year and how to help each other be the best we can be.

PΕ

Please ensure your child comes to school wearing the correct **named** kit for their PE days and has suitable footwear, if your child has shoe laces, please make sure they can tie them independently.

Earrings should not be worn on PE days (they must not be taped) and please ensure hair is tied up every day.

Library

We will be visiting the school library to browse and borrow books **every week**.

The library days for term 1:

Tigers – Wednesday

Lions – Wednesday

Leopards – Wednesday

Home Learning

In Year 2, much of the home learning will focus on reading and talking about the content of a book, your child's comprehension (understanding) of the book becomes the main skill now. Please sign and tick in the reading record to say your child has read to an adult at home. We will be giving out reading records next week. The Reading Record has lots of great resources for you to use with your child at home.

We will also send out logins to Oxford Owl, Times Table Rockstars and EdShed as soon as possible. These resources are all to be completed online and will be set weekly. The more children practise these skills the better their progress will be.

