



Termly Newsletter Year 2 – Spring 2

History Detectives



We are looking forward to a fun and busy Spring 2 half term in Year 2, linked to our topic 'History Detectives'. Below is a brief overview of what your child will be learning this term.

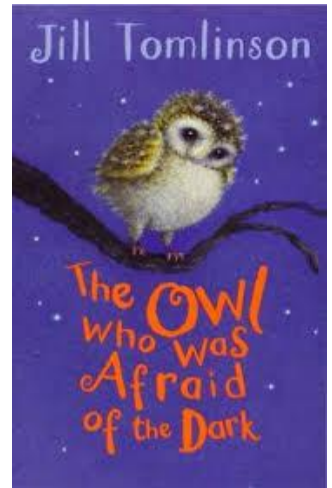
English – This half term, our writing will be taught through Talk for Writing, using the core text *The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark*. The children will be writing a tale of fear. They will explore different emotions and think about the impact this has on the characters.

At the start of the half term, we will link our English learning with History, writing a two-page spread about The Titanic. The children will write a non-chronological report about life on board and how the tragedy changed future sailing.

We will read with your children during reading practice weekly.

Please read with and listen to your child read regularly at home and record this in their reading diaries. Remember, they love to hear you read stories to them too 😊

Spellings – We will continue to send weekly spellings in reading diaries to practise at home.



Topic

In Science, the children will be learning about how to care for plants. They will be planting Sweet peas and thinking about the best way to help them grow.

In History, the children will learn about the Titanic. Linking with this, in Art, the children will be exploring the Starry Night painting by Van Gogh and creating their own Titanic art with this as inspiration. In RE, we will be learning about different symbols of Easter. They will explore what is meant by forgiveness and being sorry. We will also be visiting church at the end of the half term.

In Computing, the children will be using Scratch Jr. to create simple quizzes. They will be adding extra Sprites and exploring new blocks when creating a program. In Music, the children will explore rhythm with instruments and songs through a train unit. They will continue to learn about crescendo and diminuendo. In PE, the children will have Coach Jack who will start the half term teaching them to play golf.



Maths – In Maths, we will continue to follow the White Rose Maths scheme of learning. This half term, the children will be learning about fractions. They will learn to find half, quarter, three-quarters of shapes and amounts. This will link to our position and direction unit later in the year and to computing lessons where the children will need to move Sprites in different turns. Following this, the children will move on to measure, temperature and capacity. The children will continue to learn about standard unit measures and ensuring that we measure accurately.



Extra Helpful Info

Please keep your eye on the weekly newsletters for any additional dates or last-minute changes.

23rd February - First day back:

Wednesday 25th February – YEAR 2 FAMILY WORSHIP 9:10am

3rd and 10th March – Pedestrian Training – More details to follow shortly

Are you free any of these days between 10:30am – 3pm? If so and you would like to join your child on their training, please pop and see their class teacher.

Thursday 5th March – Family reading & World Book Day (Please see info emailed out)

Friday 20th March – Red Nose Day & FOSF Cake Sale

W/C 23rd March – Family Progress Meetings (Details to follow shortly)

Tuesday 3.40pm - 5.40pm, Wednesday 3.40pm - 5.40pm, Thursday 4pm – 6pm

27th March – Feel Fab Friday

Monday 30th March – Easter Service at Church

Tuesday 31st March – Easter Disco

Thursday 2nd April – Last day of term

Home Learning Ideas

- Practise sharing amounts into half, quarter. Can you see how many would be in three-quarters?
- Can you use Scratch at home? It's free. Can you explore the different blocks and create your own program?
- Read stories together and talk about how the characters meet and become friends. Can your child retell the story in their own words?
- Find out some facts about the Titanic
- Create a leaflet about how to care for a plant.
- Remember to check your Maths Challenge Scrapbook!