

Year Two

Curriculum Plan

Autumn Term One



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Thank you for your continued support,  
Miss Seabright

## Religious Education

Year 2's RE topic this half term- The Chosen People

In this unit the children will learn that we are chosen by God and learn that God chose certain people to lead and guide his people. They will learn that God called Abraham and that God chose Moses to be a great leader. They will also learn about how Samuel responded to God's call and find out about the story of Daniel in the lions' den. They will have an opportunity to reflect on Abraham's trust in God and learn that we should always trust God.

In this unit the children will learn that God chooses unexpected people and will be given the opportunity to reflect on their own response to God's call.



How to help at home: Watch a video clip of the story Daniel in the Lion's Den and Abraham and Sarah at home. Talk about the hidden messages behind these stories.





## English

**Writing: Focus text (Fiction):** Dumpling by Dick King-Smith

Within this unit the children will explore story structure and shape and will focus on verbs; tenses; apostrophes in contractions and how to expand contractions; noun phrases and how to expand them in adjectives. The children will then have the opportunity to write their own fiction narrative about a pet with a problem.

**Writing: Focus Text (Non-Fiction):** Neil Armstrong: First Man on the Moon by Jane We will explore: a past tense recount, verbs and tenses, identifying co-ordinating conjunctions and subordinating conjunctions and consider how adjectives are used in expanded noun phrases in non-fiction texts. This unit the children will use a timeline to record and plan information. The children will then have the opportunity to plan, draft, edit and improve their own past tense recount of a famous athlete.

**Spellings:** In spelling, we will revisit Year 1 common exception words and move onto learning some of the Year 2 common exception words.

**Reading: Comprehension Text:**

Lions, Lions Lions (Non-Fiction) - Retrieval

There's a Lion in My Cornflakes (Fiction) - Inference

Ruby's Worry (Fiction) - Mixed Skills

Perfectly Norman (Fiction) - Inference

Sir Charlie Stinky Socks: The Really Big Adventure (Fiction) - Sequencing

The Night Dragon (Fiction) - Inference

**How to help at home:** Whilst reading encourage your child to draw on knowledge of vocabulary to help them understand the meaning of new words.

## Maths

In Maths, this half term, we will be focusing on our number work, addition & subtraction and place value. Within this unit we will be counting objects to 100 and reading and writing numbers in numerals and words, representing numbers to 100, looking at tens and ones with a part-whole model and looking at fact families addition and subtraction bonds to 20.

**How to help at home:** Topmarks is a free resource that will allow your child to practise a number of skills linked to this unit of work such as number bonds to 10 and partitioning numbers recognising that numbers are made up of tens and ones.





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## Science

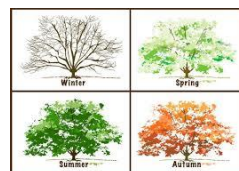
In our Science topic this half term, the children will explore the importance of exercise, diet and good hygiene, building on the Who I am? topic in Year 1. The children will learn about the importance for humans to exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.



How to help at home: Encourage your child to observe and talk about changes in their bodies after exercise.

## Geography

This half term the children will be learning about weather and seasons. This unit has a focus on the local area as well as looking at the wider perspective of the UK. The children will be able to observe and spot seasonal patterns and talk about changes by using weather- related vocabulary.



How to help at home: Simply looking out the window and encourage your child to talk about what is happening around them.

## PE

PE is taught by Mr Obasi  
This half term the focus will be on learning fundamental skills including movement, dribbling and ball mastery.



**PE is Mondays** Please ensure that your child has their P.E kit in school.

## Music

All the learning in Music this half term is focused around one song: Hands, Feet, Heart. As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song, children will listen and appraise different styles of South African music.

How to help at home: Encourage your child to listen to different styles of South African music. Can they talk about things they like/dislike. What instruments can they hear?



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## Art and Design

Our Art and Design focus will be Explore and Draw. In this pathway children are introduced to the idea that artists can be collectors; they go out into the world, look at things in new ways, and bring things back to the studio to inspire their art. Children explore observational drawing and experimental mark making, and think about how they can use composition to create their artwork.

How to help at home: How to help at home: Encourage your child to make a piece of artwork outdoors using natural materials.

## PHSE

This half term in PSHE we will be learning about having high aspirations in our unit Aiming High. We will start by discussing positive views of ourselves and will then identify how a positive attitude can help us tackle and achieve new learning challenges and improve learning outcomes.

How to help at home: Talk to your child about the term 'aspirations' and what it means to aim high.

## Computing

In computing, this half term the children will be learning about what a computer is. In this unit children will be able to describe different computers. They will also learn about the different roles computers play in a society.



How to help at home: Can your child talk about the different parts that make up a computer?

## Books to Share at Home

