









Information for Parents – Spring 2025

Class Teacher - Mrs Jones
PE with Mr Mills – Monday and Friday
Homework folders given out on a Thursday and returned
by Wednesday

Parents' Evening:

The topics I am focusing on this term are:

Historical Enquiry Question: Why journey into the unknown?

History – The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to National and International Achievements: Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong.

Geography – Comparing a UK place to a non -European place - Lima

Through R.E. I am considering:

Branch 3 – Galilee to Jerusalem : This topic will develop the Year 2's knowledge and understanding of John the Baptist, The Baptism of Jesus, Temptations in the Wilderness, Jesus and His Apostles, Cure of the Paralysed Man and God's Love.

Branch 4 – Desert to Garden : This topic will develop the children's knowledge and understanding of Lent and Reconciliation, Jesus Goes to Jerusalem, The Last Supper, Jesus Dies on a Cross, The Resurrection of Jesus and The Easter Vigil.

English Pathways:

A range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry: Grandad's Camper

In **English** I am working on:

- Developing positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing
- Considering what to write before beginning
- Making simple additions, revisions and corrections
- Reading aloud what has been written with appropriate intonation
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar
- Speaking and listening
- Phonics and Spellings
- Cursive handwriting
- Developing and expanding vocabulary choices
- Fluency in reading
- Comprehension skills

Little Wandle Year 2 Spelling:

Why do some words have the spellings 'kn' and 'gn' for /n/, and 'wr' for /r/?

Why do I drop the 'e' when I add the suffixes -ed, -ing, - er, -est and -y?

Why do some words end 'ge' or 'dge'? Why can /j/ be spelled 'j' or 'g' in different words?

The 'W special' How do 'w' and 'qu' change the sounds that 'a', 'ar' and 'or' make in some words?

Why do I swap the 'y' for an 'i' when I add the suffix -es?

Why do some words have the spelling 'ey' for the sound /ee/?

Why do some words end -le, -al, -il or -el?

In **Maths** I am working on:

- Measurement: Money
- Number: Multiplication and Division
- Measurement: Length and Height
- Measurement: Mass, Capacity and Temperature

In Science I am working on:

- Plants (Light and Dark)
- Living Things and their Habitats
- Working scientifically

- Arithmetic Skills
- Mental strategies
- Reasoning skills (verbal and writing)
- Problem solving

PE:

The children will be covering Apparatus Gymnastics (Spring 1) and Invasion Games (Spring 2) with Mr Mills.

Art: Year 2 will explore printing.

DT: Year 2 will build simple structures, exploring how they can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable.

Relationships and Sex Education:

The children will:

- Begin with an adapted version of the Prodigal Son story to show children that God loves us, and nothing we can do will stop Him from loving us
- Understand special people in their lives are who they love and can trust
- Cope with various social situations and dilemmas
- Understand the importance of saying sorry and asking for forgiveness
- Be aware of the risks of being online
- Know the difference between good and bad secrets
- Teaching on physical boundaries
- The effects of harmful substances
- Learn some basic First Aid and what they should do in an emergency

Computing: Code.org

Spring: Coding

- translate a list of steps into series of physical actions
- block-based programming
- develop sequential algorithms
- > translate movements into a series of commands
- loops to communicate instructions
- breakdown a long sequence into a small repeatable sequence
- use loops to create patterns
- E-Safety

Students will learn the basics of programming, collaboration techniques, investigation and critical thinking skills, persistence in the face of difficulty, and internet safety. At the end of this course students will create their very own custom game from Play Lab that they can share with a link.

Music: charanga

Spring 1: I Wanna Play In A Band by Joanna Mangona – a Rock song for children.

Spring 2: A Reggae Song for Children by Joanna Mangona

Useful Links:

http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize