

# Curriculum Overview

## Class 2 - Year 2/3/4 Spring Term

### English - Y3 &4

#### Writing:

Our text this term is *The Great Kapok Tree*. This is a lovely story based in the Amazon Rainforest where the animals come together to persuade a sleeping man not to destroy their habitat. They will write their own versions of the story and write a non-fiction piece about The Amazon Jungle.

#### Phonics:

A lot of time will be spent daily teaching phonics. We will be continuing to use our Sounds Write programme to support the children's' reading and spelling skills.

### English - Y2

#### Writing:

Our text this term is *The Night Pirates*. The children will be immersed in an exciting pirate adventure and learn lots of rich, new vocabulary. They will write an adventure story of their own and create a fact file about pirates.

#### Phonics:

Year 2 will have daily Sounds Write phonics lessons where they will practise the skills of blending and segmenting words, as well as reading longer texts to build up fluency and writing sentences to work on their spelling of words.

### RE

Journeys - the journey of the Church throughout the Liturgical year.

Sacramental Preparation unit- We will learn what happens during Mass, thinking about the different prayers, readings and actions.

Giving All - The importance of giving to others, thinking about what we can do to help during Lent in the lead up to the death and resurrection of Jesus at Easter.

### Maths

Some of the things we will cover this term are: Year 2 children will be working with money, recognising coins and notes, finding amounts and making change. They will learn to count in steps of 2, 5 and 10 learning how to multiply and divide. They will end the term by learning how to measure using different units for length, height, capacity, temperature and mass.

Year 3 children will be learning to use written methods to multiply and divide. They will learn to measure using different units for length, perimeter, mass and capacity. They will learn to recognise different fractions of shapes and quantities.

Year 4 children will be learning how to use formal written methods of multiplications and division. They will develop their skills of measuring length and perimeters and calculating with fractions of quantities. They will then learn to relate these to decimals.

All children will be working on arithmetic questions daily as well as times tables recall.

Year 2 will be learning the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Year 3 will be working on the 2,3,4,5,8 and 10 times tables.

At the end of this year, Year 4 will be taking part in a times table assessment along with all other year 4 children across the country. Please can you support your child learning their times tables.

at home.

### PE

We will be doing PE outside as much as possible. The children will be building up strength and stamina completing exercises as well as speed and agility using different equipment. Our PE days are a Monday and Thursday

## Science

### Plants

The children will be learning about different kinds of plants, the different parts of plants and what all plants need to grow and be healthy. They will learn how to design experiments, record their results onto charts and tables. They will be guided to make predictions and discuss the results of their experiments to draw conclusions.

### Light

Children will learn about light and that dark is an absence of light. They will learn how shadows are formed and how the size of these can be changed by moving closer or further away. They will learn how reflections are made and will know how to stay safe in the sun.

## DT

In DT the children will be exploring a range of seasonal fruits before tasting, designing and making their own fruit crumble.

After making the crumble they will then taste and evaluate their own product.

## Music

Music lessons will be delivered by Jamie, our ukulele teacher. The children will also be learning to sing and perform together.



## Art

After half term we will begin our topic of sculpture in Art. We will be using a range of tools and techniques to create our own sculptures.



## Computing

We will begin our computing this term by learning how to stay safe online through our E-safety lessons.

We will then be using scratch to programme and control characters. We will then use this to create a short story board including speech and movement.



## History / Geography -

We will continue our Stone Age to Iron Age topic, exploring what life was like and significant developments during this time period.

After half term we will be starting our Geography topic of coasts

## Home Learning

I will be setting homework on a Monday to be completed for the following Friday.

Can I please ask that reading books are returned daily. We are spending a lot of time promoting a love of reading and it helps greatly if the children have their reading books in school.

## Contacting me:

I am available to contact via SEESAW at any time. If your query is urgent, I will be available at the end of the day. Alternatively, contact Mrs Monaghan and I will try to contact you as soon as I can.