

Year Two Newsletter



Spring 1 Term 2023-2024

Happy New Year and welcome back! We hope you had a lovely holiday and are ready for another fantastic half term!

Curriculum

Here are some of the subjects we will cover this half term:



In **history**, we will be focusing on Maritime Life, particularly relating to Nelson and the Navy. We are going to think about why Greenwich is important when thinking about maritime life. We will also be exploring this topic through our **art** lessons.

We will be starting a new **science** topic of Plants. We will be exploring what plants need to grow and stay healthy. We will also learn about the life cycle of a plant and we will discuss which plants we can eat.



In **art**, we will be focusing on impressionism. We will explore different techniques used to create impressionist artwork. We will also compare a different range of artwork from famous impressionist artists, giving our opinions on them.

Home Learning

Children will continue to be set home learning via their Showbie accounts every Friday. It will be expected that children will complete this learning within a week.

Please continue to read with your child each day and record what they have read in their Home Learning Journal.

Physical Education

On PE days, pupils will be expected to attend school dressed in their P.E. kit for the whole day – normal school uniform is not required on these days. As such, children should not need to keep their P.E. kit in school during the week.

The school P.E. kit consists of:

- white top
- black jogging trousers or shorts
- school jumper or black sweatshirt (no hoods)
- sensible running trainers/plimsoles

PE Days

2JG Monday

2RH Tuesday

2AM Friday

Whole School Project

This term our whole school project is '**Coming to England**' written by Floella Benjamin. Children will write recounts of Floella's life in both Trinidad and England and compare them. We will also explore her time aboard the Windrush and write a letter to her mother about her experiences on the journey.



Uniform

Please **label all items** of clothing clearly with your child's name to enable us to return lost property to the correct individual. Please remember earrings are **not permitted** at school. Children wearing earrings to school will be asked to remove them. Children should also come to school wearing a warm and waterproof coat.

Value of the Month

This term, we will explore the values of **honesty** and **resilience** in assemblies, PSHE lessons and during circle times.



We are very much looking forward another half term of wonderful learning that will take place this year. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to speak to us.

Miss Hudson, Miss Mitakos and Miss Gomez