

YEAR 2 NEWSLETTER – SUMMER 2

Journeying together with God



Welcome back everyone. We hope you all had a lovely break and are looking forward to the next half term, and hopefully **we will** start to see some warmer weather!

We cannot believe this is the last half term of the year with the children!

We will begin this half term with our new topic 'Kings, Queens and Castles' and we're all looking forward to our trip to Skipton Castle!

As usual, we have an action-packed half term. 😊



THEME AND BIG QUESTION

Kings, Queens and Castles

Where did Kings and Queens live throughout time?



OUR CHRISTIAN VALUE THIS HALF TERM IS...

WISDOM



KEY DATES



Stay and skip – Thurs 26th June 2:30-3:10pm

Meet your new teacher – Thurs 3rd July

Sports Day – Fri 4th July 9:15-10:30

Skipton Castle trip – Fri 11th July

Open evening/meet your new class teacher – Wed 16th July 3:30-4.30

Break up for Summer holidays – Fri 18th July

Please remember to bring your child's book bag to school **every day** and check inside for new books and notices. Please ensure that PE kits are brought in for PE days, and that they are labelled with your child's name. Remember to label all items of uniform too!



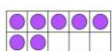
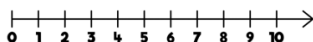
Please can all children bring their water bottles with them every day and filled with water only.

MATHS



We will start our new maths topics of time, statistics, position and direction.

The children will be recapping what they have learnt in Year 1 and tell the time to the hour and half past the hour. They will move onto 'quarter past' and 'quarter to' and build on their fraction learning. They will begin to tell the time to 5 minutes and understand that 60 minutes is equivalent to an hour, and 24 hours is equivalent to one day.



ENGLISH



The children will be using this text to write an exciting story with the main character being a dragon that they have designed themselves! They will look at what features a story needs and consider these for when they write their own. They will continue to use expanded noun phrases, and carefully choose vocabulary to do this. We will also begin to learn and use cursive letters in our handwriting.



The children will also be using their History knowledge of Monarchs to write an informative biography about Queen Elizabeth II.

COMPUTING



The children will be practising their computing skills using our PurpleMash program.

We will be making music using the 2sequence tab and presenting our ideas using the 2create, 2connect and 2quiz sections.



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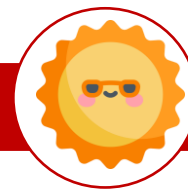
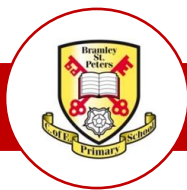
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SCIENCE

Healthy Me

The children will learn how to keep themselves and their bodies healthy. They will understand the importance of exercise, eating the right amount of different types of food, and hygiene including washing hands and brushing teeth.



RE

What makes some places sacred to believers? The children will recognise that there are special places where people go to worship and talk about what people do there. They will explain what the words 'holy' and 'sacred' mean.



PSHE

Sex and relationships education
Boys and girls, families

The children will be learning about differences and similarities between people. The children will learn about the biological differences between male and female animals and their role in the life cycle.



DT

Wheels and Axels

The children will be designing an ice-cream van that also includes wheels, axels and axel holders, which will allow the wheels to move. They will create clear labelled drawings that will illustrate the movement of their vehicles and then make them.



PE

PE days for both classes – Wednesday and Friday

- There will be two PE lessons per week so please ensure PE kits are in for those days and are fully named.
- This half term we will be focusing on **skipping, jumping** and **games**.



MUSIC

Pop – Friendship song

Through our Charanga lessons, the children will learn songs and sing them to a small audience. They will be exposed to popular pop songs such as 'Count on Me' by Bruno Mars, 'We go Together' (Grease) and 'You've got a Friend in Me' by Randy Newman. They will listen to the songs, sing along and discuss their favourites, explaining what they like/don't like about each song.



HOME LEARNING

- Please read as much as possible with your child. Try and aim to read with your child every day, for at least 10 minutes and make a short note in their reading diary.
- It is also important that you read to your child as much as possible too!
- **Home learning will be given out every Friday and should be returned by the following Wednesday.**



There will be a balance of English, maths and theme work throughout the year.

COMMUNICATION

Seesaw

- Please ensure you check Seesaw regularly for important updates and letters.
- Also, don't forget to visit our [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [class webpage](#) to see all our learning in Y2 and school.



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