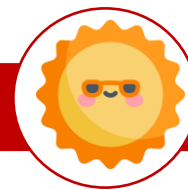
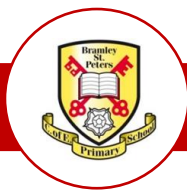


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Welcome back everyone. We hope you all had a lovely break and are looking forward to the next half term, and hopefully we will start to see some sunshine!

We begin this half term with our new topic 'Oceans and Continents'.

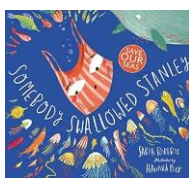
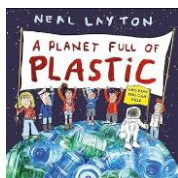
As usual, we have an action-packed half term. Although it is yet another reasonably short half term, we will certainly be fitting in lots of new learning.



THEME AND BIG QUESTION

Oceans and Continents

How is plastic damaging our oceans?



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KEY DATES

School begins – 15.04.24

Bank Holiday – 06.0.24

Break up for half term – 24.05.24



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.

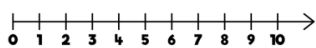
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We will start our new maths topics of length and height, and mass, capacity and temperature.

The children will be measuring in centimetres, and metres, comparing and ordering lengths and heights.

The children will be learning to measure in grams and kilograms and will compare volume and capacity. The children will also be measuring in millilitres and litres. They will also be learning about temperature.



ENGLISH



The children will be using texts about plastic pollution to help them write their very own explanation poster. They will identify the features of an explanation text, and include the journey of plastic and how it is damaging our oceans. They will also discuss ways of how to reuse and recycle plastic and include this within their explanations. They will also write an underwater adventure story based on 'The Secret of Black Rock'. They will focus on expanded noun phrases, questions and exclamation marks. They will publish their work and share it with Y2. The children will also be expected to write using cursive handwriting every time they write.

COMPUTING

The children will be exploring 2Paint a Picture on Purple Mash. They will study impressionism and create a piece of artwork using the tools from



2Paint.



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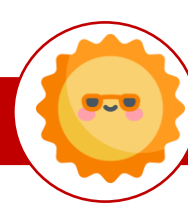
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SCIENCE



Animals, including Humans

Which offspring belongs to which animal?

The children will learn that animals have offspring that grow into adults.

Living Things and their Habitats

They will explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead and things that have never been alive.

RE



In RE this half term we are learning about 'sacred buildings' and our big question is 'what makes some places sacred to believers?' We will be learning about the church, mosque and the synagogue, what we might find in these places, and looking in more detail at what sacred objects we can find in a church, and what these objects are used for.

ART



Painting and Mixed Media: Life in Colour

The children will learn the names of primary and secondary colours. They will talk about the colour changes they notice and make predictions about what will happen when two colours mix. The children will apply their knowledge of colour mixing to match colours effectively.

PSHE

Keeping safe and managing risk

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.

PE



PE days for both classes – Tuesday and Thursday

- 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 **dance** and **gymnastics**.



MUSIC



Reggae – Zootime

Through our Charanga lessons, the children will be listening to and giving their opinions on a song called Zootime. They will learn the song and sing it to a small audience. They will also be exposed to popular reggae songs such as Kingston Town – UB40, Shine – Aswad and I can see clearly now – Jimmy Cliff. 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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