

Reading

Try to read with your child every night, if possible. Please can you sign in their red reading record book to say they have read with you (comments are optional) and write the title of the book. Your child can then change their reading book themselves the next morning. They will get a tick on their reading reward chart. As they get more ticks they can then earn themselves a sticker, dip in the treat box and a certificate.

The new 'Big Cat' reading books can be changed on Thursdays (2T) or Fridays (2L).

In addition to reading their school, they can also read books on the **Bug Club** website.

Homework

As well as reading with your child, please continue to support your child with their maths and spellings homework.

Maths homework (Learn by Heart) is given out every week and will be tested in school on the following week. New homework will be given out every two weeks. Please can you help your child learn these Maths facts at home. There is also a worksheet to complete.

Spellings are given out every week and these will be tested in school the following week. Please help your child learn their spellings at home.

Spelling Shed website is a great way for your child to practice their spellings.

Homework days are:

Friday – Mrs Lower 2L

Wednesday – Miss Tonge 2T

PE

PE for Miss Tonge 2T is Monday and Wednesday.

PE for Mrs Lower 2L is Tuesday and Thursday.

Please can you send your child to school wearing their PE kit.

**CAN YOU PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU NAME YOUR CHILD'S
CARDIGAN/JUMPER, WATER BOTTLE, COAT AND BOOK BAG.
THANK YOU.**

Year Two

Curriculum Newsletter



Our topic is...
**The Lighthouse Keeper's
Lunch**

by Ronda Armitage

Spring Term 1
2023

Happy New Year!

Dates: Monday 23rd January 3.30pm - Year 2 SATs meeting for parents and ideas how to help your child. Letter to follow.

This term Year Two will be learning...

English

Our English work will be looking at different stories by the same author. We will be reading some of the books in The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch series and writing predictions about what might happen next.

We will be learning about the life of Grace Darling and using this information to support our non-fiction writing.

At the end of the half term we will be reading a book called The Secret of Black Rock by Joe Todd-Stanton and discussing the characters and events.

This will be in addition to our continuing work on phonics and reading activities.

Maths

In Maths we will be learning about time – please help your child to read the time at home (o'clock, half past, quarter to and past). We will also read scales when we look at temperature, mass and capacity. We will learn about fractions of shapes $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, and $\frac{2}{4}$. Money will be another area of Maths that we will be covering – any opportunities at home to use coins would a great help (recognising coins, adding amounts and giving change).

Science

In Science we will be learning about plants. We will be looking at our local environment to observe how different plants grow. We will also find out the conditions that plants need to grow and stay healthy.

R.E

Our work will focus on how Christians and Muslims pray and naming some artefacts relating to prayer.

PSHE

We will be learning about the differences and similarities between people and how we change as we grow older. We will be thinking about different families and ways we can care for each other.

Robot Algorithms: Bee-Bots

This unit develops learners' understanding of instructions in sequences and the use of logical reasoning to predict outcomes. Learners will use given commands in different orders to investigate how the order affects the outcome. They will also learn about design in programming. Learners will develop artwork and test it for use in a program. They will design algorithms (sets of instructions to be followed by a computer) and then test those algorithms as programs and debug them.

P.E

We will be learning football skills and also doing a P.E unit on dance with the theme 'Under the Sea'.

Geography

We will do some map skill work and look at the use of coordinates. This will be linked to the books about Katie Morag and the Isle of Struay.

Music

In Music we will be introducing the children to learning about the language of music through playing the glockenspiel.

Art

We will be making a fabric collage of a lighthouse scene.

Design Technology

We will be making a lunchbox for Mr Grinling and we will set up a pulley system in the classroom to test how well it performs when it is transported from the cottage to the lighthouse! (Based on The Lighthouse Keeper's books).