

# Year 1/2 newsletter

## Dates for your diary!

**24th Feb** - Inset day

**28th February**- Year 2 trip to the Level Centre.

**5th March** - Ash Wednesday

**5th March** - Parents evening

**6th March** - Parents evening

**6th March** - World Book Day

**14th March** - Go Green for CAFOD

**22nd March** - Big Lent Walk

**2nd April**- Spring walk to Trent College

**4th April** - Break up for Easter (2 weeks)

Please check your children's diaries daily as we do put stickers in there with information on.

**PE (Tuesday and Friday) and Forest Schools (Tuesday).** Please ensure PE kits are in school at these times.

## A message for parents

Welcome back! We hope you had a restful week.

This half term we will be reading the story 'Clean up' to write a important letter on how we can save our beautiful beaches! and a short narrative to retell the story.

Please remember the children are not bring toys from home to school unless they are told they can for a topic purpose.

Furthermore, information about the Year 2 sleepover will be released in a second letter a few weeks before the sleepover date.

In our maths topic we follow a scheme called white rose maths. The mixed year group learn the topics in a different order, but all the children receive the same learning and the same outcome in year 1.

## Writing

In our Year 1 and Year 2 writing, we will be writing a informal letter and a short narrative.

Year 1 writing skills: Joining words using and. Using capital letters, full stops and question marks, Orally composing and sequencing sentences.

Year 2 writing skills: Exclamation sentences, apostrophes for omission and possession. Planning sentences. Subordinating conjunctions and the progressive form of the verb.

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## Maths

Year 1

Place value within 50, Mass and volume, Length and height.

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Multiplication and division, Length and height, Statistics.

Year 2

Length, height and Mass, capacity and temperature.

## Reading

This half term we are reading Clean Up and our regular weekly phonics books.

Year 2 reading knowledge: Asking and answering questions.

Year 1 comprehension: Composing a sentence orally before writing it and sequencing sentences.

## Texts



## RE

Year 1  
Hinduism.

Exploring the Hindu faith and two of their most important celebrations: Holi festival and Diwali.

Year 2  
Hinduism

To recognise and explore the Hindu gods and goddesses(deicities) and to know that Hindus perform a daily worship called puja in the mandir temple and at home.

Year 1 and Year 2  
Desert to the garden

Exploring how does Lent prepare us for Jesus's resurrection.



## Science

Year 1: Planting (Biology) where we will be exploring the parts of a plant and understand it's growth. Caring for the planet where we will be understanding how to care for our planet and why this is so important. Seasonal changes (physics) we will be recognising the changes in spring.

Year 2: Living things and their habitats (Biology) We will be able to recognise/explore various living things and their habitats, their food chains and the difference between living, dead or never alive. Plants light and dark (Biology) To compare plant growth overtime.

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## Computing

Year 1: Data and information- Grouping data. We are going to be able to label and group various objects, organise information in different ways and compare and record information.

Year 2: Data and information- Pictograms. We are going to be exploring how to create a pictogram, summarise data collected on a computer and compile data in different ways.

## History/Geography

For 3 weeks we will be exploring a new topic in History.

'How important was Ibn Battutta as an explorer.

For 3 weeks we will be exploring Scotland and Wales in our geography topic.

## PSHE

Economic wellbeing

We are going to be focusing on money and how it can help us.

We are also going to understand the difference between spending and saving money.

## Music

In music we are going to be focusing on the key vocabulary:

Pitch and tempo. We are also going to contribute to a group composition and overall re create a superhero themed tune using our musical knowledge.

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### DT

In DT this half term we will be looking at wheel mechanisms. We will be creating our very own fairground wheel! To successfully do this we will be exploring wheel mechanisms and how they work, building and testing moving wheels, using appropriate materials and finally be able to evaluate our moving wheel piece.

### Forest School

Forest Schools is a child-centred learning process, providing learner inspired, hands-on experiences in the natural environment. The children will be given the opportunity to take part in a 1 hour session each week. The session will be child initiated that will run alongside an activity to help develop social and emotional skills, support wellbeing, while also exploring nature.

This term the children will be focusing on using a tripod to create a shelter structure, to erect a shelter with adult support and to create a habitat for mini beasts, independently.

### PE

Year 1 and Year 2 will both be focusing on striking and fielding games and dance. The fundamental skills being learned in Year 1 and Year 2 developing these skills in a more advanced way.

They will be developing underarm throwing and catching, how to hit a ball with a bat, how to be an efficient fielder and how to get a batter out. In dance they will be creating routines and a story of dancing by sequencing a range of movements.