



Year 2 Newsletter

Autumn Term

Welcome to Year 2!

We hope you have had a lovely summer and are as excited as we are to start the new term. Here is an overview of what your child will be learning this term.

SCIENCE:

This term we will be looking focusing on two of our senses – sight and hearing. We will learn about light and the different sources of light. We will also learn about how we can see light through our eyes and investigate how we can block light. We will also be looking at different sources of sound and will categorise sounds based on whether they are loud, soft, natural, human-made, high-pitched or low-pitched. Finally, we will learn about mammals, reptiles, amphibians, fish and invertebrates.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

This term in Year 2 we are going to be learning about wheels and axles. We learn about what happens to the speed and force of a wheel and axle when one or the other is turned. We will then design and create a wind-powered car using wheels and axles.



HISTORY

In History we will be travelling back to 1666 to learn about the Great Fire of London. We will learn key information such as where the fire started, why it spread so quickly, learn about Samuel Pepys and how London was rebuilt after the fire ended.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In RE we look at a range of religions and this term we are going to be looking at Christianity and answering the following questions:

- Is it possible to be kind to everyone all of the time?
- Why do Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world?

PSHE

This term in PSHE we will be completing the following Jigsaw pieces: 'Being Me in the World' and 'Celebrating Differences'.

We learn about how to be kind and play with others, and we will look at what makes us unique and what makes us united. Our lessons will look at understanding what bullying is and how to stand up for ourselves. We will also look at how to make new friends. The 'Leader in Me' and the Woodside Life Values will be implemented in different areas of our

PSHE Learning too

Geography

This term we will be learning about the continents of the world. We will be locating the seven continents and locating different countries in each of the continents.

Finally, we will learn facts about each continent, for example finding out which is the biggest continent.

Children will have the opportunity to look at different sources of information including maps, atlases, satellite

images and globes.



ART AND DESIGN

In Art this term we will be getting inspired by a range of artists that created pieces of artwork that involve weather, darkness, flowers or scenes of the sea. We will learn about the use of colour and create our own versions of famous art pieces like 'The Starry Night' by Vincent van Gogh





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Times for the School Day

The school day begins at 8:30am on Forest Site. Please ensure your child is on time for school. Between Monday – Thursday school finishes at 3:25pm and on Friday at 12:35pm.

If your child has been allocated an Enrichment place, they will finish at 3:10pm.

We ask that children are collected promptly at the end of the school day. After a day of learning, it is quite upsetting for a child to be collected late. If you are going to be late due to unforeseen circumstances, please contact the school office and they will pass a message on to the class teacher and your child.

Clothing and Packed Lunch Boxes

Please ensure all clothing and lunch boxes are clearly labelled with your child's name and class. This will make returning lost items much easier.

P.E Day

Year 2 will have their P.E every **Thursday**. Please ensure your child comes to school in their correct P.E kit that is suitable for the weather. We also advise that they bring in a bottle of water.