

English

In English this half term we will be reading 'War and Peas' By Michael Foreman. This book will inspire us in our writing. We will be learning to make predictions about the story by using evidence from the text and describe character's feelings and settings within the story. We will also be writing in the first person to explore how characters are feeling. Using all of the above skills we will then retell the story from a character's point of view. We will also learn about features of instructions, for example how instructions have to be in order. They will use their knowledge to create their instructions on how to make their own breakfast.

Maths

This half term the children will be learning to make and recognise equal groups. They will also add equal groups and start learning about multiplication using the 'x' symbol. They will make arrays to further deepen their understanding and learn the 2, 5 and 10x table.

They will then move on to sharing and grouping which will introduce division. They will divide by 2, 5 and 10. Finally children will look at and interpret pictograms, block diagrams and tally charts for collecting data.

Science

In science this half term we will finish off last half terms topic with a 'materials' day and we will learn about what animals need to survive.

We will be investigating the basic needs of animals, including humans for survival. We will be looking at why exercise is important and how we can stay fit and healthy. We will perform simple tests, gather and record data and use the data to answer questions that we have thought of.



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Topic

In our topic lessons this half term we will be doing Design and Technology—cooking and nutrition. In D&T children will look at the importance of hygiene as a human and also in a kitchen area. We will research different types of breakfasts from around the world, also researching different food groups. We will create a survey questioning each pupil in the class about what breakfast they have, using that information to create a class pictogram. We will taste different foods; evaluating the look, smell, taste and texture. At the end of the topic using all of their research the children will design, make and evaluate their own healthy breakfast.

We will investigate how growing food around our school and home can help the planet and develop a better understanding about how plants provide us with food.



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Curriculum Newsletter

Year 2 Spring 1—2022

'How do we survive?'

Enrichment: Sunshine Garden Centre (depending on Covid-19 restrictions)

PE: Tuesdays

Homework: home on Friday and returned to school by Tuesday

RE

In RE this half term we will be learning about Buddhism. We will retell the story of Buddha. We will learn where Buddhists go to worship and explore through objects and artefacts how Buddhists show respect for their religion.

PSHE

In PSHE we will be discussing ways we could improve the diet of children in the school; looking at school dinners vs packed lunches. We will discuss the sustainability of growing our own food.

Suggested books to read

Oliver's Vegetables – Vivian French

Jim and the Beanstalk – Raymond Briggs

The little gardener – Emily Hughes

The last wold – Mini Grey

Cloudy with a chance of meatballs – Judi Barrett

Suggested places to visit

Local garden centres and grocery stores—find out where our food comes from and how it grows. Look at food labels. Science museum—understanding the body

Suggested websites to visit

Change for life: <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life>

Five a day: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gBTvnJpwcKw>