



Year 2 Curriculum Overview for Parents Summer 2018/19



Subject	Summer 1	Summer 2
Literacy	 <p>'Under the Ocean' by Onouck Boisrobet This half term we will be exploring climate change and its effect on the ocean using powerful adjectives and expression in both oral and written work. We will write newspaper articles, persuasive letters and leaflets in order to practice using correct punctuation in longer pieces of work.</p>	 <p>'The Drop goes Plop' by Sam Godwin Non-Fiction texts and poetry This half term we will be researching London in the 17th Century and the important role that the River Thames played in helping Londoners to survive. We have honed our ability to write information reports and organise our ideas. In addition, we will investigate poetry and have a go at writing some ourselves!</p>
Big Reading	 <p>'Just a bit of Wind' by Jeremy Strong In Discovery month we will be climbing inside the minds of the characters in this pirate adventure! This will help us to practice using expression when reading and explore a range of settings! We will be searching for evidence to answer questions and using clues from the book to infer and deduce.</p>	<p>'Laila and the Secret of Rain' by David Conway Throughout our River Project topic we will be learning about the water cycle through a range of non-fiction books. In addition to this, we will be learning to use dictionaries and thesauruses. We will be making predictions about stories and thinking about why characters act the way they do.</p> 
Maths	<p>MATHS NO PROBLEM!  We are following an innovative maths programme called Math No Problem! The programme is based on how children are taught maths in Singapore. Children will use problem solving to explore different mathematical concepts. There is a focus on children working practically with objects to support their learning. This half term we will focus on: word problems, arithmetic and time</p>	<p>MATHS NO PROBLEM!  We are following an innovative maths programme called Math No Problem! The programme is based on how children are taught maths in Singapore. Children will use problem solving to explore different mathematical concepts. There is a focus on children working practically with objects to support their learning. This half term we will focus on: written methods, times tables and volume</p>
Science	 <p>Climate Change This half term we will be learning about how climate change affects our oceans and ways in which we can reduce our carbon footprint.</p>	 <p>Taking Care During this half term, we will learn how to eat well, stay clean and take exercise to keep our</p>
History & Geography	 <p>Extreme weather This topic will focus on how climate change affects weather patterns.</p>	 <p>Famous Rivers The River Project This topic focuses on the River Thames and its landmarks.</p>

Art & DT	 <p>African Art - Edward Tingatinga We have been exploring African artwork and using a range of techniques to create our own - we have even used cotton buds to create beautiful effects!</p>	<p>Sketching London Landmarks Through History, Geography and Literacy we have been learning all about the River Thames. In Art, we have been using pencil and pastels to sketch famous Thames landmarks.</p> 
Religious Education	 <p>Special Books Through researching special religious books we have been learning how to respect a range of religions.</p>	<p>Fasting In RE we have been learning about why people of different religions fast to remember their Gods.</p> 
Music	<p>Children to learn the basic skills for playing the recorder and reading music. This is skills based, so they take the time to learn 3 notes properly, G, A and B.</p>	<p>Children to continue to learn their basic recorder skills such as blowing gently, holding the instruments correctly and producing a good sound. They also begin to compose their own music.</p>
ICT	<p>We will be exploring the topic 'we are researchers' to create informative powerpoints on global warming and the effect on our ocean as part of our STEM project.</p>	<p>The children will focus on coding this half term to create a moveable sprite (character) using the software scratch under the topic 'we are game testers'.</p>
P.E.	<p>Children will be learning tennis skills, cricket skills and gymnastics skills with a focus on vaulting and Athletics in preparation for sports day.</p>	
Homework	<p>All children have access to three exciting home learning websites. Bug Club should be used focus on improving reading comprehension skills. Mathletics and Abacus support your child's learning in maths. If you are unsure of their username or password please speak to your class teacher.</p> <p>Home Reading Please read at home with your child daily. In order for your child to access all of the areas of learning, they must be a confident reader. Use the Star Primary Reading Prompts booklet to help you support your child with next steps - have fun!</p> <p>Spelling Your child will practise spellings every day at school. We will report the score to you with any incorrect words to practise.</p> <p>Mental Maths Tests Your child will take part in a weekly Mental Maths test at school. We will send the marked test home to enable you to revise any incorrect answers with your child.</p> <div style="text-align: right;">    </div>	