

Curriculum Information  
Year Two – Summer Term

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you had an enjoyable Easter break. Our topic for this half term is 'Where I live' and 'Roald Dahl'. Below we have outlined what we will be covering throughout the term.

**English**

In English we will be reading 'The Twits' by Roald Dahl. We will be exploring both the repulsive characters and the eerie setting in order to write detailed descriptions. We will then be looking at the vile tricks that Mr. and Mrs. Twit play on each other, writing a Diary entry from their perspective and a play script to bring the dramatics to life! Towards the end of the term we will be discovering more about Roald Dahl himself, researching and writing our own biography about his fascinating career and life.

Spellings will be given out each week on a **Friday** and checked the following **Thursday**. They will be a variety of topic related words, tricky words and words relating to our spelling and grammar sessions.

**Maths**

In Maths, we will begin by exploring 3D shapes. We will learn to name, describe and compare the properties of 3D shapes, including the number of faces, edges and vertices. We will then look at number, recapping on each of the strategies already covered in order to solve the 4 operations. We will primarily focus on securing our understanding of the inverse and number facts in order to independent apply our knowledge when solving mathematical problems. Later on, we will look at money, making different amounts using different coins, finding change and comparing amounts.

Each week the children will be tested on their times tables. Once they have passed them two times in a row then they will move onto the next times table. These will be tested on **Thursday** each week.

**Science**

Our current Science topic is 'Plants. To start this topic off, we will be considering and setting up a comparative test to show what plants need to stay healthy. We will be recording our results from our investigation and writing these up in a conclusion. We will then use our results to explain what a plant needs to grow and be healthy.

**PE**

This year PE lessons are being taken by Mr Rick. This term Year 2 will be covering Team Building and Tennis, where we will focus on developing agility and coordination. Year 2 Cedar's PE lessons will take place on **Tuesdays** and **Fridays** and Maple's PE lessons will take place on **Mondays** and **Thursdays**. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school at all times.

**Geography**

In Geography this half term, we will be learning about our local area. We will begin by exploring our playground, using maps to identify the built and non-built features. Next, we will explore our school and create an activity map to show what we use different rooms for.

Within this we will use our enquiry skills to discover which rooms we like the best and why. We will then begin to explore our local area investigating areas of interest. Finally, we will plan a route to our sports day for Healthy Schools Week.

### Art

This half term, we will continue to develop a wide range of art and design techniques, including observational drawing. We will also be learning about a range of artists, making links to our own work.

### PSHE

In PSHE, we will be exploring the importance of looking after our environment. We will be thinking about how the choices we make effect the environment, recognizing what harms and changes the environment. We will then be thinking of ways to encourage others to protect the environment too. We will also be having SRE sessions in which we will be naming body parts, exploring gender stereotypes and identifying some of the differences between boys and girls.

### Homework

Homework will be given out on a **Friday** and collected in on the following **Tuesday**. The homework will be linked to the work we are doing in class, differentiated where necessary and fun! It should take approximately 30 minutes to complete.

### Reading Books

All children should have a colour band book and a library book of their choice in their book bag at all times. Your child is free to change their colour band book during our daily guided reading sessions. Library books will be changed weekly (if your child wishes) so please ensure your child brings their book to school each day.

### Please Help!

We are always keen to have parent/carers/members of the community to come in to help in school. If you would like to volunteer to hear readers, accompany us on trips, help with any aspect of the curriculum or have a link to our topic we would be thrilled to have you! Please let us know.

### Key Dates

KS1 SATS Week: WC 6<sup>th</sup> May  
Healthy Schools' Week: WC 20<sup>th</sup> May  
Sports Day: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May  
Meet the Teacher: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July  
Lego Land: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us or make a longer appointment to meet us.

Miss Barton and Miss Taylor