

Summer Term



Year 2

English



In English this term, we will be reading some fabulous books including Mrs Armitage and the Big Wave by Quentin Blake, and The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch by David and Rhonda Armitage. We will use these books to inspire us to improve our own story writing. We will also learn how to write a persuasive letter and explore poems about the sea. We will research and write our own reports about lighthouses and will find out all about the amazing work of the R.N.L.I.

Maths

We will continue to develop our mathematical skills of addition, subtraction and place value (understanding the value of digits in a number - e.g. 34 is 3 tens and 4 ones). We will learn how to find $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$ of a group of objects when we learn about fractions. We will be telling the time in 5-minute increments.



History



We will be learning about the history of the RNLI and the fabulous work that they do. We will visit the RNLI lifeboat station at the end of the pier in Southend and speak to some of the volunteers who work there. We will investigate lighthouses throughout the centuries and discover where and when they were first built.

Geography

As geography students this term, we will be observing and comparing the physical (natural) and human (man-made) features of seaside towns and our coastline. If you would like to support your child's learning further, we would recommend visiting the RNLI centre in Southend. It is an excellent chance for children to use their learning about water safety, how lifeboats work, and the important role lifeguards and volunteers play in keeping people safe at the coast.



Science



For our Science, we will be investigating how plants grow in different ways, e.g. from seeds, bulbs, cuttings. We will try to find out how plants spread their seeds to other places and investigate the best conditions for growth. We will also learn about animals and their habitats, including what animals need to survive, how they adapt to their environments, and how they depend on each other in simple food chains.

Art

We will be printing this term. We will create our own designs and use paint printing to create repeating patterns, experimenting with shape and colour.



Computing

We will be using the internet and different search engines to research safely and effectively. We will use different programmes to manipulate pictures with a variety of software.



Physical Education

For this term, PE will be on Monday mornings and Tuesday afternoons. Please could you ensure your child comes in to school with the correct uniform and remember that they **MUST** have all jewellery removed.



TT Rockstars



Have you practised your Times Tables enough this week?

Year 2 need to learn 2's, 5's and 10 times tables with division facts.

My Maths

My Maths is a targeted, rewarding and captivating online learning resource, which is aligned to the new curriculum. Extra My Maths practise at home can make all the difference to your child's progress and achievements.



Reading

Please read every day and bring your reading records in daily. Reading every day is enjoyable and will help you across all subjects and improve your writing!



Dates

Please check the weekly newsletter for up-coming dates and key information.

