

In Year 2 this half term we shall be covering...

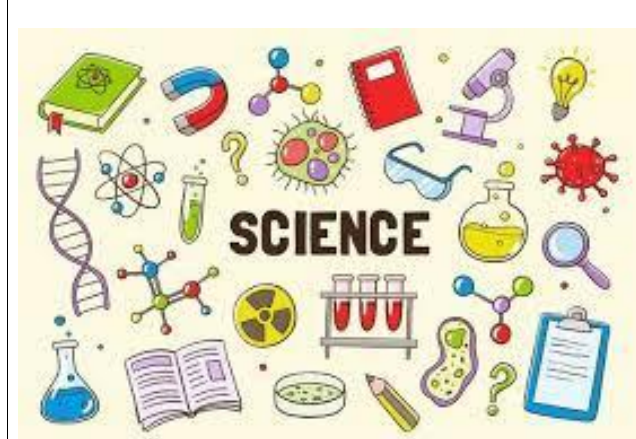


In Maths, this half term, we will be covering money. This unit will reinforce the children's counting skills, as well as addition and subtraction strategies. Children will focus on coins and notes and cover the following topics: calculating total amounts and finding change and word problems. Following this unit, the children will then move on to learning methods of multiplying and dividing numbers.

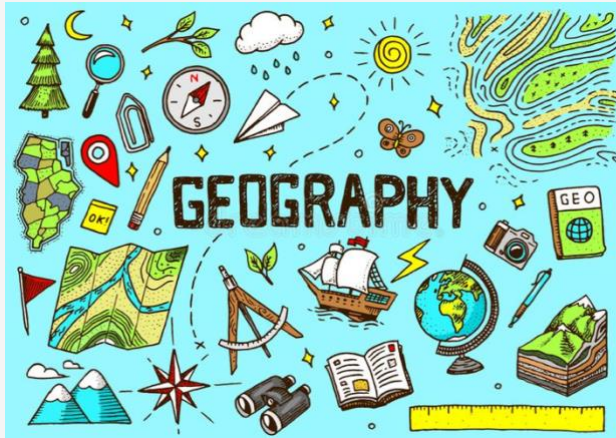


In English, we will be continuing with 'Kassim and the dragon'. This is our new text that we started just before half term. The children will explore key vocabulary from the text. The children will look at story language, sentences of three and embellish simple sentences using adjectives.

In story time, we will enjoy amazing books by the author Mini Grey. They will also enjoy more poems chosen by Pie Corbett and Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl.



This half term, in Science, we will continue to explore animals including humans. The focus will shift to humans and the children will learn about foods that give us energy. They will also learn about a balanced diet and the different food types. The children will look at exercise and the importance of exercise on our health. They will learn about the importance of hygiene and how to prevent disease.



Get your woolly hats and your sun cream ready!

Our geography journey will take us to Antarctica and Australia as we research 'Hot and Cold Locations'. We will learn about the climate zones of the world and consider why some places are hotter or colder! Fascinating facts will be shared about physical and human features in both Antarctica and Australia. We will also explore the impact of global warming!



We will learn about the instruments of the orchestra through the story of 'Peter and the Wolf'. We will continue to play percussion instruments and explore the features of Garage band.

We will learn about the composer Sergei Prokofiev and his most famous works. We will be able to identify the instruments of the Orchestra and create a leitmotif using technology.



Year 2 will be painting this half term. We will explore the work of artist Helen Frankenthaler and use her colourful paintings to inspire our own work. We will develop our painting skills by mixing tints and learning about warm and cool colours.



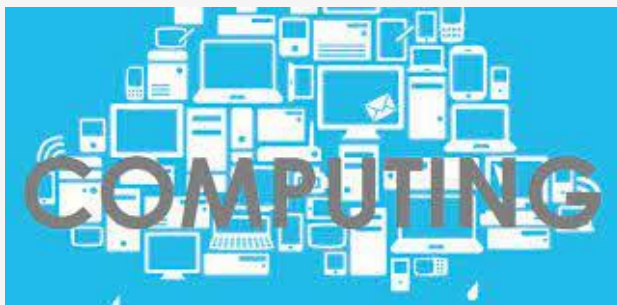
The half term focus this term is "Plants". Children will be deepening their understanding of plants and the different needs of certain types of plants. This will build on their learning of plants in Year 1. We will also be hosting our parent workshops this half term to highlight the children's learning thus far, such as fire lighting, den building and knot tying.



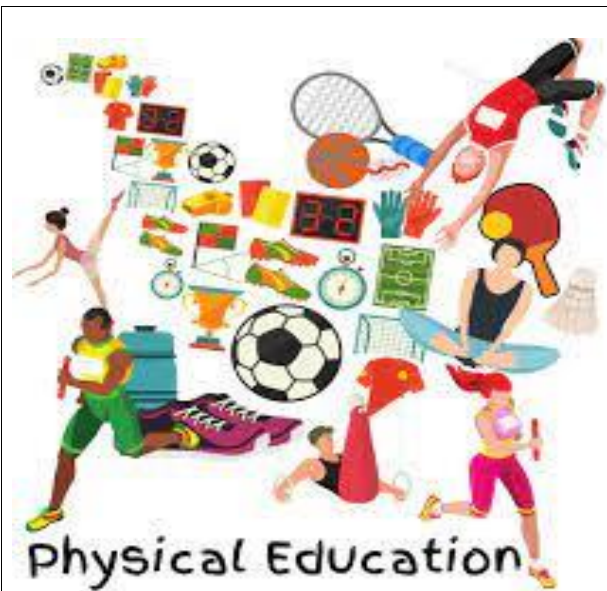
This term we will be delving into Christianity again and we will learn to re-tell the Easter story and understand what Jesus' resurrection means for Christians.



Within PSHE we will continue with our unit on 'safety and the changing body'. We will keep re-visiting the 'pants' rule. We will also look at respecting personal boundaries, road safety and start to look at how we stay safe with medicines.



This half term, we will look at pictograms. The children will begin to understand what the term data means and how data can be collected in the form of a tally chart. They will learn the term 'attribute' and use this to help them organise data. They will then progress onto presenting data in the form of pictograms and finally block diagrams. The children will use the data presented to answer questions.



In PE, we will be moving on to invasion games. We will learn strategies of how to attack and defend. First, we will need to master the art of throwing and catching a ball with different sorts of passes. Eventually, we will play team games, where we will apply our attacking and defending skills.