

Welcome back to Summer 2. Our new topic is called Crystal Palaces.

Reminders for this week Friday 7th June morning - Sports Day

Upcoming Trips:

Friday 21st June - Trip to Crystal Palace Park
Tuesday 16th July – Lewisham Schools concert (info and timings tbc)
Friday 19th July – **Year 2 Leaver's concert** 1pm

SPELLINGS FOR THE FIRST WEEK BACK:

parents, children, poor, father, mother, clothes, child, more, anything, many

What we will be doing in school Maths- Revision of 4 operations

During our first week back, the children will be revisiting addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

The children will be reminded of the various methods they have at their disposal to solve different types of questions including arithmetic and reasoning and problem solving. They will then use the skills they have been taught throughout the year and applying these strategies to solve a range of calculations.



English - Oliver

How you can help at home

Keep maths skills up to scratch with this game. Although it says mental maths, get your child to work out each calculation on paper using taught methods.

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/mental-maths-train



Modes to use in the game:
Addition – Up to 100
Subtraction – 2digit
Division – Any mixed
Multiplication – Any mixed



During our first week, we will be looking at some short clips from Oliver Twist the musical. We will be learning in history what life was like during the Victorian period and use the film to write some descriptive sentences about London during this time.

Have a look at the English Heritage website and find out some interesting facts about Victorian Life.

https://www.englishheritage.org.uk/learn/story-ofengland/victorian/daily-life/

Topic- Crystal Palaces

History

As historians, the children will be learning what life was like in Victorian London. They will be able to use the skills they have learnt from previous topics such as the Great Fire of London to show how London and transport has changed since Victorian times. They will then use sources of evidence to answer the question "What was life like for people in Victorian London?"



Create your very own Crystal Palace out of newspaper and junk modelling.

If you are stuck for an indoor project over the half term then have a go at building the Crystal Palace or a notable London landmark out of newspaper or bits of recycling.





Science

In science, we will be consolidating previous learning by revisiting what humans need to do to live healthy life styles.

We will be revisiting how to stay clean by understand personal hygiene, exercise and healthy eating.

You could help your child at home by discussing these topics with them and explaining why they are important. Also, you could watch the clip below:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sQN8H WI6Svk





Computing

In computing this week, the children will begin learning the Scratch Junior program. This software teaches the children how to create algorithms in a fun and creative way.



As we have our new chrome books, we are spending some time logging on and off. Perhaps over the half term give your child some time to practise logging on and off a computer and asking them to practise Summer 2 Week 1 spellings to find the different letters on a keyboard.

Art

In art this week, the children will be beginning our new project of creating a print of the London skyline. This will begin by using observational skills and creating some sketches.



If you are visiting different areas of London, either take a snap of a landmark and have a go at sketching it out or sit and draw at the landmark. Do send these in to class as we would love some artwork for our displays!







RE - Hinduism

In RE the children will be learning more about Hinduism and be answering the question:

How important is family in religion? This week the children will be learning about the Hindu celebration of Raksha Bandhan, a festival celebrating the relationship between siblings.



Spend some time discussing as a family what special events, presents or even clubs that your child does with their siblings or extended family such as cousins. How and why is it special to them? Perhaps over the half term holiday they will be doing some nice things together, which they can discuss back in class.

P.E.

In P.E. this term, the children will be learning Net and Wall skills (Tennis) and yoga. The weather can be unpredictable at this time of year so please follow the guidance. Every child is expected to come to school with a full P.E. kit

Have a great half term! The Year 2 Team