



Learning, Achieving, Caring and Sharing

The Winns Primary School

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Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn 2 - 2021



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Key events:

Inset day (1st Nov)

Anti-Bullying Week (15th Nov)

Christmas Concerts (Dates to be confirmed)

Weekly Schedule

PE days:

JS- Thursday, Friday

BB- Monday, Tuesday

CF- Monday, Friday

Library Days:

JS- Wednesday

BB- Tuesday

CF- Thursday

These days can quite often change so we kindly request that any books stay in the children's reading folders and PE kits stay in school for the duration of the half term.

Art/DT

At the Winns we alternate Art and Design Technology each half term. This half term we will be focusing on DT. Having looked at ways to join fabric in Year 1, children are given their first opportunity to sew in this topic. By making their own template, children can ensure that their pieces of fabric will be exactly the right size. With their fabric cut out, pupils use a simple running stitch to join two pieces together before decorating the front of it, according to their designs.

Introduction

During the second half of the Autumn term we have some brilliant units that the children will be covering. Please read our newsletter to discover the exciting learning opportunities planned for this half term!

The Year 2 teachers are:

Mr Search (Year Group Leader)

Miss Flock

Miss Boakes

Support Staff:

Laura Rouchy

Abdul Abdi

Julie Payne

Anna Obidzinska

Zara Hussain

Carmela Ippolito

Esme Collins (Teaching Student)

Science

This half term we will be studying materials and their uses.

In this unit, the children will identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials (wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard) for particular uses.

Home Work

In year two homework will be given out every two weeks. The homework will be posted to Google Classroom (GC). If you have difficulties accessing GC or would prefer paper copies of the homework please let us know.

Home Learning

In the event of another lockdown we will revert back to online learning using GC.

Reading

Your child will take home at least 4 books a week. These will consist of a 'Phonics Book' which will be changed twice a week and two 'Library books', one chosen by us and differentiated at their level and one book of their choosing.

PSHE

This half term we will be studying two topics; Keeping/Staying healthy, feelings and emotions.

During our Keeping/Staying Healthy module, children will learn that food is needed for bodily health and growth, and will be able to identify what types of food are positive choices. Students will also explore and practise simple personal cleanliness routines such as washing their hands. This will enable them to begin to understand that some diseases are infectious, and that transmission may be reduced when simple hand washing routines are introduced.



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English

This half term the key skills we will be focusing on are; Capital letters, Full stops, Conjunctions, Adjectives, and the Spelling of the year one and two Key words.

We will be learning these skills through various fiction and non-fiction texts and topics such as The Great fire of London Diary entry and an acrostic poem.

Geography/History

At the Winns we alternate Geography and History each half term. This half term we will be focusing on History and the Great Fire of London. In this unit the children will learn all about The Great Fire of London **and the consequences of the fire**. They will find out when it happened, what London was like at this time and who the King of England was. They will learn how the Great Fire spread and how it was stopped. They will learn more about sources in history, using diaries and painting to find out about the past and discovering the famous Samuel Pepys's diary.

RE

This half term we will also look into special and sacred times. This investigation enables pupils to learn in depth from different religious and spiritual ways of life about Easter and Pesach (Passover) and/or Eid-ul-Fitr

Maths

This half term we will be focusing on Number, specifically, addition and subtraction, counting in 2s 5s and 10s, Multiplication and Division. We will also study Money and its value.

At The Winns we teach Addition and subtraction using the column method and exchanging a ten where necessary. An example is below.

		T	O	
		4	6	
	+	1	5	
		6	1	
		1		

PE

This half term we will be focusing on Dance and Gymnastics.

Music

Children will learn to sing and move to some popular songs using an online resource called 'Charanga Musical School'. All the learning is focused around one song: Ho Ho Ho - a Christmas song. You will Listen & Appraise other styles of music and continue to embed the interrelated dimensions of music through games, singing and playing.

Computing

Programming Part 1 Algorithms and debugging.

This combination of unplugged and plugged-in activities develops an understanding of; what algorithms are, how to program them and how they can be developed to be more efficient.

Phonics/Reading

At The Winns we follow a Phonics scheme of work called Read Write Inc. Read Write Inc. Phonics teaches children to read accurately and fluently with good comprehension. They learn to form each letter, spell correctly, and compose their ideas step-by-step.

The children in year one and two split into ten differentiated groups where they will learn to read at their own level. Differentiating reading like this helps the children to progress quickly, with the aim being that all children in year 2 will be off the Read Write Inc. scheme before the end of the year and reading through a Whole Class Reading approach.

Whole class reading focuses on the study a text, looking at comprehension and understanding, rather than phonetic decoding.