

Maths

We will continue to use Maths No Problem to teach maths across year 2. During this half term we continue to be learning about fractions including fractions of amounts and quantity. The children will then move onto learning about time, including learning to read the time on a clock e.g. o'clock, half past, quarter past, quarter to and to 5 minute intervals.

Keep looking on the blog as the children will update you on the methods we have been using in the classroom.

Science and Farming Week

Throughout this week the children will be learning about the layers of soil, different habitats around the school ground and parts of the plant we eat. Throughout this week the children will also have an opportunity to feed the lambs that will be living on the school farm. To finish the science and farming week the school will be hosting a farmer's market. This will be on the school field on Friday 24th May at 3:00pm. The children will have an opportunity to sell the bath salts they will be making throughout the week. We look forward to seeing you there!

SATs

SATs stand for 'Standard Attainment Tasks'. They are a series of tasks and tests completed towards the end of Key Stage 1. During May the children will be completing two reading papers and two maths papers in small groups. The SATs form a small part of our overall assessment of your child. We do not prepare the children for SATs as they are meant to be a reflection of how your child is progressing. However, we will look at the layout of previous papers to help the children understand the different style of questions.

Year 2 Summer 1st Half Time Animal Rescue



PE

The children will be learning multi skills this half term. They will be developing a variety of skills such as agility, balance and hand eye coordination. This will support the children to participate in a variety of sports. Please ensure your child has a named PE kit in school every day. The children will be working as a year group on a Monday and Thursday afternoon.

Topic

This half term we will be using an enquiry based approach to learn about orang-utans and their habitat. The children will be working in role as an animal rescue centre where they have been commissioned to monitor and protect a group of orang-utans in Borneo. The children will be learning about the eco system of a rainforests and the different rainforest animals. Please encourage your child to bring in any homework related to the topic.

English

Our English work this half term will be based around our topic - animal rescue. The children will be working towards writing fact files about the rainforest and orang-utans. We will be learning about the features of a non-fiction text and identifying them in a variety of books. The children will be writing in a non-fiction style using headings, sub-headings, captions and labels.

Reading

As part of our push for developing a real love for reading the children will be reading independently regularly throughout the week. Children will be choosing which books they want to read from the library and class collections. We will be calling this independent reading time ERIC, which stands for everyone reading in class.

We will have whole class guided reading sessions throughout the week. These will be focussed on the layout and style of a SATs reading paper. The children will have opportunities to develop their retrieval and inference skills, using past papers.

Class Blogs

We will continue to use the class blogs this half term. Thank you so much for your engagement with the blog. The children love reading comments and enjoy sharing their work.

Important dates

Friday 26th April Zoolab visit
Tuesday 30th April Parents evening
Wednesday 1st May Parents evening
Thursday 2nd May Parents evening
Monday 20th May Science & Farming Week
Friday 24th May Farmers Market 3:00pm