

# Year 2 Summer Topic Letter

## English

In our English lessons, we will be exploring a variety of text types such as writing letters of complaint, based on the stories that we read as part of our Reading lessons. In our writing, we will continue to use basic punctuation, as well as including conjunctions (and, but, or, because) and expanded noun phrases (the great, wrinkly elephant) to include more detail in our writing. Children will be using their ever-expanding vocabulary to describe events and emotions.

In Reading, we will be looking at a range of fiction and non-fiction books. Children will continue to develop their predicting, questioning, clarifying and summarising skills through lots of group discussion. They will also complete independent activities to show off their understanding of fiction and non-fiction texts.

Please ensure your child reads at home on a daily basis. In order to improve fluency, children need to read aloud as 'story-tellers' so they can include expression. All of the children have developed an enjoyment of discussing what they read, so please ask them questions so they can show off to you!

## Maths

This term, the children will continue to practise using a variety of strategies to answer  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $\times$  and  $\div$  number sentences; we will then be using and applying these strategies to answer a variety of worded and 2-step problems. Children will regularly have the opportunity to quickly recall their 2, 5 and 10 times tables so please ensure they practise chanting them at home.

We will also be applying our mathematical skills to the world around us, solving problems with money, those involving fractions and time. In order to support your child in developing their mathematical understanding, please take every opportunity to discuss time and money with them.

## Science

This term, our topic will be learning about plants. We will be finding out, through experiments, what all plants need to grow healthily. In addition, we will be labelling the different parts of plants and finding out about their roles.

## PE

This half term, the children will be focusing on their ball skills by practising throwing, catching, kicking. They will then apply the skills in games of football and handball.

## RE

Through lots of discussion as a class, we will explore two topics; 'Creating Unity and Harmony, Participating and Willing to Lead' and 'Caring for Others, Animals and the Environment, Being Merciful and Forgiving'.

## PSHE

Our topics for PSHE lessons are; Growing and Changing, Keeping Safe, Feelings and Emotions, and Valuing Difference. The children will spend time in discussion about these important topics.

Monday:	Book bag change
Wednesday:	Class 10 PE
Thursday:	Class 9 PE
Friday:	Book bag change

Thank you for your continued support. The children will be working very hard as we try to recover any learning that has been missed. We really value your help and support.

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