



# Curriculum Half Termly Overview



Fantastic firsts

Year group - 2

Term - Spring 1

Wow moment:			
Large clues in the classroom			
English text types		SPAG	
This half term, the children are going to have lots of fun learning about famous firsts including learning about Mae Jemison's space adventure.		Last half term we assessed the children's ability to read and write high frequency words and the following words are the ones that we need to focus on: here, there where, come, some said.	
Fiction Model text: Toys in Space	Non-fiction model text Hello from Space	We are also going to practise adding suffixes to the end of words. E.g.	
Story type: Description and characterisation	Non-fiction text type: Diary entry/ postcard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-ing; morning, coming, opening.</li> <li>-ed; lived, walked, climbed, chopped, grabbed, rushed.</li> <li>-y as 'ee' sound; lazy, boy, very, only, early.</li> </ul>	
Focus: Meeting	Poetry: Repeated patterns	We will be focusing on compound words where 1 word is made up of 2 other words. e.g. waterproof = water + proof.	
Maths		Tables and Mental Maths	MFL
The children will be covering several different topics in Maths this half term including focusing on money and how to add notes and coins. They will also look at developing different methods to add and subtract. The children found shapes tricky last half term so we will be revisiting shapes and looking at 2d and 3d shapes.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Multiples of 2s, 5s, 10s.</li> </ul>	<b>Transport</b> In this unit pupils will learn how to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognise, recall and remember up to 7 modes of transport in Spanish.</li> <li>Recognise, recall and remember a short phrase for each mode of transport in Spanish.</li> <li>Learn to listen attentively</li> </ul>
Science	Computing	PSHE	
<b>Life cycles and health</b> This half term the children will learn about the stages in the life cycles of different animals, including humans. They will describe the basic survival needs of animals and explain how to take care of personal hygiene. They will develop their understanding of the effects of exercise and identify foods in different food groups.	<b>Spreadsheets</b> This unit teaches children the basics of using spreadsheets with 2Calculate, focusing on how to enter, organise, and manage data in rows and columns. Children will build confidence in formatting, carrying out simple calculations, using tools and creating block diagrams to present information clearly. Throughout this unit, the children will access programmes on Purple Mash to complete data collection tasks.	<b>Being me in my world</b> The children will learn about the importance of believing in themselves. Children will understand the need to persevere when faced with challenges and to be motivated. Recognise not all dreams and goals can be achieved on their own, working with others will achieve better results. Understand the importance of positive attitudes towards work etc. Reminders of the zones of regulation as well as knowing it is ok to feel a range of emotions - it is how we deal with them that is significant.	
		<b>RE</b> <b>What is the best way for a Buddhist to lead a good life?</b> The children will learn about the story of the Buddha which has many meanings, one of which is knowing that our actions have consequences. Everything we do could have an impact on someone or something around us. Many Buddhists follow the Buddha's teachings as they try to find enlightenment. They will make comparisons between stories linked to Buddhism and stories linked to Christianity focusing on the moral linked to the stories.	
Geography	History		PE
The children will learn about the difference between hot and cold countries focusing on Kenya. They will identify similarities and differences between physical and human features.	The Children will learn about different people and their inventions looking at famous firsts. They will develop their chronology and identify firsts in children's lives and what firsts they know. Place these in chronological order. Research firsts in history - phone call, flight, cartoon and moon landing, Children share their opinion on which first ever they feel is the most important and why.		Gymnastics Families of Actions - children recap on basis gymnastics shapes and improve their shapes. Identify different strategies needed to complete a gymnastic shape. The children will work in pairs and small groups to complete a simple sequence. understanding the different skills and roles of individuals throughout the game.
			Cat dance - children to learn different moves and sequence them together to create a dance. The children learn about a range of styles and expressions related to cats. They learn the importance of working together and in unison.
Art		D&T	Music
Portraits and poses Drawing - The children will explore portraits paying attention to the clothing, posture, objects, background and expression. They will make simple sketches of portraits, create a digital portrait and pose for a partner portrait.		N/A	How does music make the world a better place? The children will develop their understanding of music - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Demonstrate an understanding and appropriate use of musical language (including basic musical elements), from both prior and new learning.</li> <li>Demonstrate a basic understanding of how feelings can connect with/relate to music.</li> <li>Demonstrate some basic understanding of musical style.</li> </ul>