



Hartley Primary School

Believe, Achieve, Succeed

Curriculum Newsletter

Term: Autumn 2 2016

Year: | 2 |

The Year Team:

Mrs Sehmi	2S - Year group leader
Miss Adam	2A
Mrs Valle	2V
Mrs Adam	2SA

Other adults working with us:

Mrs Patel	TA
Ms Kaur	TA
Miss Callender	TA
Mrs Raja	TA

English

Book Focus and genre

In English this half term the children will be focusing on a fictional story titled 'Aladdin' by Karen Kreider. The outcome of the unit of work will involve the children retelling events from the story, making predictions using evidence from the story and answering questions based on the story.

Reading

Reading is a fundamental part of the English curriculum. The assessment focus will include children understanding what they read, ordering events from the story and identifying how language, structure, and presentation contribute to meaning. Also, in Year 2, children will be discussing words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination.

Writing outcome

This term the children will be planning and writing a narrative (a new adventure) based on the story of Aladdin'. They will focus on different sentence types, look at different character and setting descriptions and plan and write their narrative using a story mountain.

Grammar

The grammar focus this term will be: Capital letters, full stops, apostrophes for possession and verbs.

Spelling

Your child will receive weekly spellings on Fridays. Spellings are suited to the year group and follow particular spelling rules. Please help your child to learn the words.]

Mathematics

This term we will be focusing on several key areas:]

Measure- Length

Multiplication and division

Position and direction

Fractions

Science

Our topic for this half term is 'Living things. The children will be learning the following:]

- Finding out about and describing the basic needs of animals, including humans.
- Finding out and describing how plants need water, light, temperature to grow and stay healthy.
- Describing how animals get their food from plants and other animals using a simple food chain.

P.E

During this half term, we will be focusing on dance and running. The children will explore:

-Different ways to run efficiently using the arms.

- They will be demonstrating running with balance and coordination

- The children will understand the purpose of a circuit and how it can improve fitness.

Reminder: please ensure your child brings in their P.E kit on the days they have P.E

2S – Monday – 14:15-15:00

Wednesday – 14:15-15:00

2A- Monday – 14:15-15:00

Wednesday – 14:15-15:00

2SA- Monday- 13:00 – 14:00

Tuesday – 14:15-15:00

2V- Monday- 13:00-14:00

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Computing

In computing this term, the children will be learning about creating pictures. This will involve them using a program called 'Dazzle'. The children will learn how to use the different features and apply them to create their own picture.]

RE

In RE this term, Year 2 will be focusing on Diwali. The children will learn the following:

What is Diwali?

Who celebrates Diwali?

Why it is celebrated?

Music

Year 2 will be following a new music curriculum called 'Sing up'. This will involve the children to recognise echoing phrases by ear, communicate the meaning of songs, maintain a body-percussion pattern accurately and recognise the structure of verse and chorus.

Home/school partnership

Homework

All homework will be given out on Friday:

Spellings: The children should learn their spellings which will be sent home every Friday

Number facts: children should practice their multiplication facts

Speaking and listening: Please have a discussion with your child about the thought of the week.

Reading: Children should be reading for at least 20 minutes every evening

Other: Two books will be given out every Friday. Please ensure your child reads the book daily and an adult completes the reading record. |

Parent support

The following websites can be used at home to support your child's learning:

www.mathletics.co.uk (login details required)

www.bbc.co.uk/education

www.espresso.lgfl.net/ (see school website 'parents' section for login details)

Please visit the school website (pupils section) for further educational websites/online educational games.

Educational visits

In order to enrich the curriculum and consolidate learning, the following educational visits have been planned for this half term:

Place: Year 2 Pantomime Date: 9th December 2016

Place: British Museum Date: 15th and 16th December 2016 |