Academic Year 2013-2014

• **Year:** 2

Term: 6

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Dear Parents and Carers.



Headteacher

R.E. Topic 1: Rules (continued)

Children will be learning about God's rules for us, and that there are consequences when broken. The children will also learn about the sacrament of reconciliation.

You can support your child's learning at home by:

- Discuss your own house rules and how these may be the same/different from other people.
- Talk about how they can show they are truly sorry by not doing the same thing again.

R.E. Topic 2: Treasures

The children will learn about creation story and how God made the world. They will think about ways to look after and appreciate all that we have been given.

You can support your child's learning at home by:

- Talk to your child about not wasting things.
- Discuss how as a family we can recycle to reduce waste. (blue bin, donating to charity, giving things to others)

English: Daily Reading & Phonics Skills

Read Write Inc Sessions

I am pleased to say that all children in year two have completed the RWI programme and will return to class for spelling and guided reading. Well Done Children.

English: Basic Skills

All children will benefit from having daily handwriting and spelling practise and regular grammar and punctuation sessions focused on their *individual* needs. Through our guided reading this term we will be studying The Twits by Roald Dahl.

Mathematics: Daily Number & Calculation Skills

We will focus on: To multiply and divide by using arrays. To tell the time in multiples of 5 mins.

You can support your child's learning at home by:

- To help by getting your child to read an analogue clock.
- If your child has a watch encourage them to wear it and tell the time.
- To continue to learn their times tables.
- To add single digits without hesitation or fingers.



Goals

We will be looking at the commonwealth games that take place in Glasgow this July and August. We will look at the relay the baton has travelled and the countries that the participants come from. As part of this topic we will be going to the institute of sport on the 23rd of June to take part in a sporting competition, adult helpers are welcome. Back at school the children are going to create their own games that they will run for another class.

English: Creative Writing

Children will be writing the instructions for the games for the other classes and recounts of the day. Other writing will be linked to the guided reading text The Twits.

You can support your child's learning at home by:

- Use the sheet sent home to help build your child's vocabulary.
- Think about your choice of vocabulary when talking to your child.

Mathematics within the Theme

We will focus on: recording times and order them to find first second and third. Measuring distance to the nearest cm.

You can support your child's learning at home by:

- To know that time is in units that total 60 (60sec =1min 60 mins. =1hr).
- To describe the position of objects as first second third etc.

Science Electricity

We will be thinking about electricity. They will learn what items need electricity and whether items are battery operated or mains operated. That a circuit must be complete to allow the flow of electricity.

You can support your child's learning at home by:

- Discuss the dangers of electricity.
- Look for items that use mains electricity and how we it to charge things.

Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education (PSHCE)

We will be talking about how it's okay to lose but that we should be happy for those who win.

You can support your child's learning at home by:

- Play games with your children allowing them to both win and lose.
- Talk about not teasing others when they win.
- Talk about allowing others to enjoy their success.

I.C.T. continued although with different topic. Night time

The children will think about ways of presenting information to their audience. They will use Word and PowerPoint software.

You can support your child's learning at home by:

- Allow your child to practise the skills learnt in school: changing font, colour, size and inserting pictures.
- To use the Internet (supervised) to find information about the commonwealth games.

P.E.

P.E. is on Wednesday afternoon each week. Specialist P.E. coaches lead sessions. This term they will cover bat and ball skills and volleyball.



You can support your child's learning at home by:

- Doing lots of physical activity regularly e.g. playing games in the garden, going to the park, swimming lessons.
- Catch small items like a tennis ball. These are age related skills.

Geography

The children will learn the names of the continents and the names of the oceans. We will also look at the countries that will be attending the games.

You can support your child's learning at home by:

- Taking to them about places that they have travel to both home and abroad.
- Discuss the cultures how they are the same and how they are different.

Art

The children will learn the primary and secondary colours. They will learn how to mix colours and these will be used to create team colours.

You can support your child's learning at home by:

- Allow them to paint, draw and colour at home. If your child has poor fine motor skills then activities like squeezing a sponge ball and picking small items up with tweezers can help to develop the muscles required.
- Scissor skills should also be mastered by this age.

Design Technology

The children will look at food and what it means to have a healthy diet. They will then go onto making a healthy breakfast.

You can support your child's learning at home by:

- Different types of food and what they do for the body.
- Talk about the balance of having treats and healthy snack. By the way y2's love raw carrot, it their favourite break time snack.

