



Medium Term Planning

Year 2

Autumn 2023 First Half Term



English	Mathematics
This half term we will be looking at the story Superworm by Julia Donaldson and writing setting descriptions. We will then move on to our non-fiction unit of work where we will write instructions outlining how to trap a character from the story. We will be looking at acrostic poems and quatrain poems, and will enjoy writing our own poetry in these styles. We will continue to develop our reading skills following Read, Write Inc Phonics.	This half term we will be learning about place value and addition and subtraction. We will work in pairs, groups or independently to use a range of equipment to make numbers, draw numbers and write numbers and number sentences. We will use the part whole model to help us understand how many tens and ones are in whole numbers, and will begin to use talk to develop our reasoning skills.
Art & Design	Computing
This half term we will be focusing on developing our painting skills. Our focus artist is Georgia O'Keefe who we will look at for inspiration.	In Computing this half term we will use laptops to develop our digital skills and begin to write in different styles. We will be able to recognise common uses of information technology beyond school, and think about how to stay safe online.
Design & Technology	Geography
We will look at Design & Technology next half term. We will be looking at food and nutrition, with a particular focus on the origins of food and safe food preparation. We will be using our school cookery room to follow recipes and create our own tasty delights!	Next half term we will be learning about 'Our Place in the UK'. We will use maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries and capital cities.
History	Music
This half term we will be learning about 'Local Heroes', with a particular focus on Grace Darling and George Stephenson. We will learn about their lives and achievements and hope to visit the Stephenson Railway Museum.	In Music this half term we will practise rhythm building using untuned percussion. We will explore the African musical genre and talk about our likes and dislikes. We will learn to sing the songs Tony Chestnut and Cauliflowers Fluffy.
Personal Social Health & Economic Education (PSHE)	Physical Education (PE)
This half term our topic is Being Me in My World. We will learn how our own behaviour can impact on those around us. We will compare our choices with our friends, and begin to talk about why some choices are better than others.	In PE this half term we will be taking part in a range of team games. We will master basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and co-ordination, and begin to apply these skills in team games.
Religious Education (RE)	Science
In RE, we will be learning about the Bible and it's importance to those who follow Christianity. We will talk about books that are special to us. We will learn about some sacred texts, stories from the bible as well as looking at St Cuthbert and why he is remembered.	In Science, our topic is Animals including Humans. We will be exploring animals and their offspring, life cycles and also the basic needs for survival. We will learn about the importance of exercise and diet and how these contribute to healthy living.