

Year 2 Newsletter

Just a few notes to keep you updated on what's happening in Year 2 over this half term.

TOPIC – ME AND MY WORLD!

Science and the Humanities

In Science the children will be learning about the human body and how to keep fit and healthy. They will also be learning about the characteristics of all animals (including humans), and the differing life-cycles.

The children will be learning about life in Baldock and comparing and contrasting it to life in a town in Grenada. They will be studying both physical and human features including weather, houses, industry etc. This will involve field work (in Baldock not Grenada!!).

In Computing, children will be learning how to import and manipulate images into documents.

In RE, we will obviously be learning about Christmas and the Christmas Story to include the Angel Gabriel, the Nativity and the Kings. At church there will be an Advent service on 5th December and the Nativity production on 17th December.

Physical Education

Mr Campeney will be teaching gymnastics this half term and class teachers will be teaching dance.

PSHE

PSHE for this half term focuses on staying safe inside and outside, including firework safety and e-Safety.

Mathematics

This term we will be focussing on number in greater detail. The children will be drawing the tens and ones as a method for adding and subtracting, as well as using times tables more frequently.

We will be sending home times tables for the children to learn. They will have a verbal test each week to check on their rapid response with answers.

We will also be looking at reading the time on analogue clocks, as well as adding and subtracting amounts involving money and measures.

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Literacy

We will be retelling traditional tales to learn the basic structure and repetition of the genre of fictional stories and making calligram (shape) poems based on Christmas.

We will also be writing non-fiction texts based on non-chronological reports about teeth and how to keep them healthy.

Year 2 will be highly involved in the acting, narrating and singing during this year's Christmas Production.

Creativity

•The children will be researching ingredients, designing, making and evaluating a healthy breakfast cereal. They will also be designing packaging to market their product.

•We will be looking in depth at Seurat and Pointillism, with the children using a variety of materials to emulate his style to create some original masterpieces.

•In Music, we will be learning about performance skills, using the voice and projection. We will also be using tuned and untuned percussion to accompany our songs.