

English

In our Reading lessons, we're going to start by reading the book Grandad's Island. We're then going to be reading The Goose that Laid the Golden Eggs and Mrs Noah's Pockets.

During Autumn 1, we'll be writing character descriptions, poems developing vocabulary and simple retellings of a narrative.

We will also be continuing to teach phonics through the Little Wandle Letters and Sounds programme.

Maths

Our first topic in Maths this half term will be place value to 100. We will use Base 10 to support us in understanding the value of 2-digit numbers. We will also look at shapes and their properties. In our fluency sessions, we will focus on the composition of numbers using rekenreks and tens frames, use the language of comparison and the inequality signs, look at odd and even numbers and complete missing number equations.

RE

We will be thinking about 'Who made the world?' exploring the Creation story further. We will discuss who Christians believe made the world and explore the story in different ways. We will move on to think about how people should live in the world that has been created and link this looking after the environment. We will finish by thinking about what rules would help look after the world and what the best things about the world are.

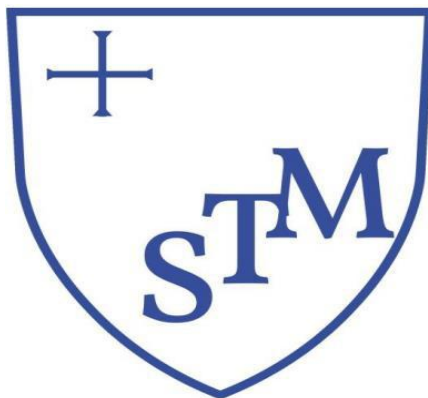
Art

We'll be developing our drawing skills by using a range of marks to represent mood and movement. We will start to explore shape and texture through expressive mark making in response to a piece of music and descriptive language.

Science

Our topic is living things and their habitats where we will explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive. We will then look at habitats and how different plants and animals suit certain habitats. Finally, we will look at food chains and describe how animals get their food from plants and other animals.

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Music

This half term, we will be exploring pulse, rhythm and pitch using the Charanga Model Music Curriculum. This includes:

- Understanding music
- Improvising together
- Listening and responding
- Learning to sing the song
- Playing instruments to the song
- Composing and improvising
- Performing

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History and Geography

In History, we will study events beyond living memory with a focus on The Great Fire of London. We will look at the cause and effect of the Great Fire of London and understand that the event happened a long time ago – over 350 years ago!

In Geography, we're focusing on human and physical features. This will include using atlases and globes, using simple compass directions, using aerial photographs and studying the geography of the school and its grounds.

Welcome to Year 2!

I hope you're all as excited as I am to begin this year. We have so many exciting opportunities lined up for the year, it's going to be brilliant!

I know you will all be very keen to support your children with their learning. Please encourage your child to **read as much as possible**. Ensure you ask questions to check understanding and sign their reading record. I will send a more detailed letter regarding our reading routine when the books go out with the children next week.

Please can I remind you to label all coats, jumpers/cardigans, bottles, lunchboxes and bags with your child's name and make sure you send them in with a water bottle.

If you have any questions, at any time, please don't hesitate to ask me.

Don't forget to keep an eye on ClassDojo too!

Thank you for your support.

Miss Toor

P.E

Our topics are fundamentals and team building! Our PE Day is **Monday**. Children to come to school in their P.E kit as usual.

PSHE

This half term, we'll be focusing on family and relationships. This includes understanding how families provide love, security and stability in our lives and understanding how all families are different.