# Year 2 Curriculum Overview Autumn term 2023 Class 2T, 2A & 2M



This information tells you what your child will be learning this term in school. We really value your support and the help that you can give your child with their learning. These are some of the things you can do:

- Request books from the local library so your child has a wider choice of books to read.
- Find information from the internet about the topics we are learning.
- ➤ Help your child to learn spellings given to them every week using the READ SAY WRITE CHECK strategy.
- > Read with your child every day for at least 10 minutes and begin to learn 2, 5 & 10x
- ➤ Complete some of the home learning activities from the school website.



Help them to make sure they have everything they need in school on the right day e.g. their swimming kit.

# The curriculum

# Our focus this term in English:

- Recounts this will include writing letters or diary entries describing events from the past.
- Non chronological reports children will learn how to structure these reports. They will also write their own reports based on the city of London.
- Poetry reading classic poems written by famous poets from the past. The children will write their own poems based on those read.
- Stories with familiar settings children will read stories set in familiar places e.g. forests, woods, parks. They will learn to describe characters and settings and use these in their own stories.

#### In Maths we will:

- Count, read, write and compare numbers to 100. Count to and from 100, forwards and backwards from any number. Partition numbers up to 100 into tens and ones.
- Count in steps of 2, 5 and 10 from any number forwards and backwards
- Identify 1 more or less than any number.
- Know and use number bonds to 20.
- Add and subtract numbers within 100.
- Name common 2D and 3D shapes and describe some of their properties.



Learn what multiplication is and how to work out simple facts such as 3 x 5



The **topic** in autumn 1 is **London** and in autumn 2 is **Famous People**.

#### In **Science** we will be:

- Looking at materials such as wood, stone, fabric, plastic, etc.
- Describing the properties of materials, such as hard, smooth, soft, rigid, flexible, etc.
- Investigating which material is the best for different item, e.g. curtains for a baby's bedroom



# In **History** we will:

- Learn about events such as the Great Fire of London and The Great Plague.
- Learning about Florence Nightingale, Edith Cavell and Mary Seacole, **Geography** will include:
- Using atlases to mark on a map the countries and capital cities of the UK.
- Learning about human and physical features of Colindale and of London

# In **Art & DT** we will:

- Learning about different painting techniques, colour mixing and brush strokes
- Learning about Vincent Van Gogh
- Creating paintings that depict The Great Fire of London
- Learn about Henry Ford
- Design and make our own cars of the future

#### In **RE** we will:

- Focus on Christianity, Islam and Sikhism.
- Learn about religious people from those faiths
- Learn about their places of worship

### In Computing we will:

- Teach pupils to switch on/off; log on/off
- Learn how to use the Internet safely
- Use simple drawing software to create pictures
- Use PowerPoint to create presentations.

#### In **PSHE** we will:

- Learn about relationships and feelings including who to speak to when worried
- Recognise and celebrate strengths
- Understand what bullying is and how to deal with this.

### In **Music** we will:

• Learn to copy and create rhythms as a group and clap the beat to a piece of music.

# **Other information:**

### **PE & swimming:**

Each class will have 1 session of PE and 1 session of swimming per week. Children must wear PE kits to school on the day they have PE. They will stay in their kit all day. If plimsolls are worn for PE, please send in school shoes for children to change into

- 2M will have PE on a Tuesday and swimming on a Wednesday.
- 2A & 2T will have PE on a Wednesday and swimming on a Thursday.

## **Class Assemblies:**

This term **2A** will hold an assembly on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 9:15 am **2M & 2T** will have their class assemblies in the Spring term on the following dates:

- **2M** Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January at 9:15am
- **2T** Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January at 9:15am

Please make sure your child practises their lines and song for class assembly.

#### Trips:

This term we will be going on a trip to go on The London Eye and enjoy a riverboat cruise.

We look forward to having a productive and enjoyable year with you and your child. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year 2 team.















