



Welcome back to the second term of the school year. I hope you have all had a nice break and are ready and eager to return to school. This will be a busy term with lots of wonderful activities taking place in the run up to Christmas. I was so pleased with how well the children settled into life in Attenborough class and I am excited to see them continue in this enthusiastic manner. This term we will be continuing to promote and encourage our school rules in order to continue with a positive learning environment. This will include continuing with 'green time' at the end of the day to encourage positive learning behaviours. I am excited to be back in the classroom with all of the children.

Maths Addition and Subtraction

Year 1

The children will start to develop an understanding of addition and subtraction. Creating number sentences and understanding the use of symbols in these calculations. They will use resources to develop their independence.



Year 2

The children will increase the understanding of addition and subtraction by using larger numbers in their calculations. They will begin to calculate adding and subtracting 2 two-digit numbers. They will be challenging their understanding with the use of number problems.

History: Discovering History

This term we will be discovering history. The children will learn that history is a story of the past. They will find out how we know about the past and influential people from the past—Mary Seacole. The children will delve into local history to find out what life was like here, in the past.



PE: Football

The children will be using their agility and balance in football. They will be taught how to pass and shoot effectively.



English:

The children will be reading the book *Lost and Found*. They will create a description of the character and infer how he feels, using adjectives and expanded noun phrases. They will then create a lost poster for the penguin.

The children will then explore the setting of the book. They will create a setting description based on real pictures of Antarctica.

PSHCE & RE:

We will be talking about what it means to be healthy in PSHC.

In RE we will investigate how we celebrate special events and how special religious events are celebrated.

Science: Animals and their needs

This term the children will learn that animals can be grouped using different characteristics. They will learn what animals need to survive and how to look after pets. The year 2 children will develop an understanding of offspring and what animals need in order to survive and reproduce.



Computing:

We will be learning about Algorithms using virtual assistants.

We will also learn about internet safety.



Music:

The children will be investigating animals—classical music—dynamics and tempo of music. They will be given the chance to use instruments to mimic animal sounds.



Class messages:

Outdoor PE will be taken place on a Tuesday afternoon.

Indoor PE will be taken place on Wednesday afternoon.

Homework will be sent home on a Friday, can this be returned on a Wednesday.

Important dates to remember:

4th November - Non Uniform Day - Bring chocolate into school

Friday 16th December — Break up from school for the half term