

Spring 2 in Year 2

This term our topic is 'Titanic'

We are collecting empty shoe boxes and lots of scraps of fabric for an art and design technology project. Your child will be making a diorama of a cabin on board The Titanic. The deadline for these materials is Friday 21st March

Writing — Our units of work this term will be based on the text 'The day the Crayons Quit; by Oliver Jeffers. We also be looking at poetry and studying the poem 'If I were in charge' by Judith Viorst. At home, you can continue to support your child by learning the Year 2 common exception words, which can be found in your child's planner. A key focus this term is also on our handwriting, ensuring children are aware of the four key joins and can use them in their writing if ready to do so. We are also focusing on ensuring we have correct letter heights.

Maths— We will be continuing our work with multiplication and division then move on to learning about fractions. We will be finding $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$ of a number and problem solving by applying our knowledge to finding $\frac{3}{4}$ and $\frac{2}{3}$. We will also be practising recognising all the maths symbols used in calculations (+, -, x, ÷)

There are some useful videos here to help you at home if you wish;

<https://whiterosemaths.com/resources?year=year-2-new>

Science— We will be focusing on working scientifically to investigate materials. We will be using words such as absorbency, waterproof, suitability, man made, natural, elastic. We will be investigating properties of materials including absorbency, waterproofing and insulation.

History — We will be learning to use a timeline to place the sinking of the Titanic, building a timeline of events. We will be discussing what life would have been like on the Titanic, how the 'unsinkable' ship sank and what was learnt from the disaster.

PE— We are continuing to learn bat and ball skills with our Usports coach, with a focus on cricket this term. In our Teacher led sessions we will be looking at fitness this term and using games to increase our fitness levels focusing on speed, agility and stamina. This will also support our PSHE work on healthy choices.

PSHE— We will be feeling good about ourselves when we make healthy choices this term, eating well, doing regular exercise. We will also look at the impact of medicines on our body and decide which foods to eat to give our body energy!

RE— We will be learning about The Easter Story through investigation and debate.

Arts and Design — We will be designing and making our own Titanic cabin dioramas this term using a range of materials and techniques. We also be revisiting our learning from last term and will be creating different shades and tones in our Titanic porthole pictures. In our drawing lessons we will using pencils and charcoals to draw different types of lines ending in a pencil drawing of the Titanic.

Music — Our lessons this term will focus around the theme of Myths and Legends, we will be following simple notation and graphic scores to perform an instrumental section of a song.

Please continue to support your child at home with their reading, writing and spelling of the tricky words in their zapper. The KIRFS for this half term are the 10x table. These can be found in the back of the reading diaries.



To remember...

Thursday 5th March

World Book Day

Tuesday 10th March

Meeting for all Parents at 9.10am in the school hall on end of Year assessments for Year 2 children.

Friday 13th March

Handwriting celebration day.
More details to follow

Wednesday 18th March

Titanic Experience Day— children to come dressed as anyone who would have travelled on the Titanic. More details to follow.

Friday 27th March

Easter Holidays, School closes at 1.15pm