

## English

**Focus:** *Use of phonetic sounds in reading and spelling, capital letters, full stops, question marks, sentence openers, use of adjectives and reading with understanding.*

Writing recounts, narratives, diaries (Science) and a fact file. Developing neat, correctly formed and sized letters and starting to develop strokes for cursive script.

**At home:** Read your reading book every day. Read a variety of text types (use class lending library). Write for different purposes (diaries, letters, invitations, lists, emails etc.) Read signs when you are out and about.

## PE

PE days are Monday (Mr Laker) and Thursday.

Getting active and working as a team

Fundamentals (basic skills)

## Notices

Children should come to school wearing their PE kit on a Monday and Thursday. (T-shirt, tracksuit bottoms or shorts, jumper / sweatshirt and trainers). Please remove earrings on a PE day as wearing them impacts safety and limits how your child can safely participate in the lesson.

Fruit is provided daily for a playtime snack.

**To bring everyday:** book bag with reading record and book, water bottle (water only please), packed lunch if required, coat/ jacket / waterproof (we do go out when it is a bit wet).

If you have any questions or messages, please email the office or catch us on the door at home time, once we have seen all the children out safely.

## Science

Finding out about plants in the local environment, identifying parts of a plant, particularly trees, and exploring which parts we can eat. Investigating how plants grow and what they need to grow well. Growing our own bean plants and recording observations in a bean diary.

## Computing

Using iPads to learn basic skills. Using Purple Mash to compose our own music and to present our ideas.

## Year 2, Autumn Term A

### The High Street

Welcome back. We are starting Y2 with a topic about the High Street. We'd love to hear from anyone who works in a shop or high street business who might be willing to share a little about this with the children. Please get in touch!

Mrs Garley and Miss Ougana



## Homework

Spellings and number facts will be stuck into reading records weekly on Fridays. Please practise these for a quiz (test) the following Friday. Try to read and record this in the reading record daily. We will aim to change books that have been read on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Optional homework can be completed and sent into school or a photo emailed to the office. We love to celebrate what the children have been doing at home.

## Maths

**Focus:** Place value ( tens and ones); odd/ even numbers; adding and subtracting; number facts/ bonds up to 20; ordering numbers and more than and less than.

**At home:** use maths in real life contexts, such as baking, telling the time, shopping with money, counting coins in 2s, 5s and 10s etc.) and practise your no nonsense number facts.

## Art

Still life / observational drawings of flowers and plants using different media, including sketch pencils, charcoal and paint.

## Geography

Geography focusing on our local area, including Cherry Hinton High Street.

Understanding aerial photographs, reading and creating maps and following routes,

We will also open our own Y2 high street as part of our cross-curricular English and Geography work.

## PSHCE

Citizenship: Rights, rules and responsibilities, linking to the Seven Habits of Learning (Leader in Me).

## RE

Investigating: Who do we choose to trust and why?

Why do Christians trust and follow Jesus?