

YEAR 2

WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD!



Perrymount Primary School
Growing together, learning forever.

OZ Class Curriculum Information Spring 2024

OUR FUTURE STARTS HERE...

As a values led school we believe that all children have rights. The right to be educated, the right to be heard, the right to be treated fairly and the right to be healthy. We want our children to learn about the rights they have and the lives of children throughout the world and to explore this through the Global Learning Project (GLP). Our aim is to educate our children about global issues and their role in a globally-independent world and explore strategies by which they can make it more just and sustainable.

This term, in Year 2 our topic will be 'What a Wonderful World'. We will be learning about the geography of our world with a special focus on explorers around the world and how they have impacted on our lives today. We will be asking: **If you find an artifact is it right to take it home with you?**

Our Challenge: To find out about different places around the world and world firsts (ie. the first person to climb Mount Everest).

Humanities



Our topic this term involves lots of geographic discoveries. In Geography, we will be learning about the world's wonders, the names, and locations of the world's oceans. We will also consider what is unique about our local area.

In History, we will find out about different explorers around the world. We will look at a local explorer – Fredrick Horniman and the importance of his scientific findings. We will further investigate how and why some significant people are remembered.

English



Children will continue to be taught in their small Read, Write, Inc groups in order to continue our big emphasis on the teaching of phonics and reading to support our writing. Back in our Year 2 classroom, we will be writing creatively and regularly. We will be using our phonics knowledge to support this. We have a non-fiction focus this term so will learn to write instructions, explanations and recounts. We will continue to work on different aspects of writing, including concentrating on using full stops and capital letters in the right places and using interesting sentence starts and conjunctions. We will also begin our new spelling program as a class, focus on grammar to enhance our writing and practice cursive handwriting.

Maths



Initially in Maths, we will be working on our shape and money skills. Later in the term, we will start to explore measurement.

Throughout the term we will continue to secure our understanding of the four basic mathematical operations - addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.

We will explore strategies for solving word problems quickly and accurately. We will continually revisit our key number facts and practice our 2, 5 and 10 Times Tables.

Science



Our Science topic this term is 'Living Things and their Habitats'. We will explore what a habitat is and investigate different types of these. We will go on a minibeast hunt and discuss why minibeasts can survive in their habitat. We will also explore how animals and plants depend on each other. Finally, we will explore 'food chains' and will discuss what would happen if one of those living things in a food chain did not exist. Throughout our sessions we will continue to build our scientific vocabulary and investigation skills.

Computing



In our computing sessions, the children will explore stop frame animation through story telling.

The children will explore creating narratives and combining them with images to make their own short animated scenes.

Throughout the term we will continue to discuss why it is important to stay safe online.

PE



PE will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays for Year 2. This term we will be developing our dance skills. We will be following commands, repeating simple sequences of movement and performing to each other.

We will work on our agility skills through a variety of games. After half term we will start our Invictus unit. Here we will be developing our ability to solve problems and to engage in new activities fairly.

RE



We will be looking at 'The Five Pillars of Islam'. We will explore how Muslims express their beliefs and what worship means to Muslims. This will be explored through discussion, role-play and written work.

After half term we will be focusing on Christianity. We will be looking at important symbols for Christians and the Easter story.

Art/ DT



In Art, we will be working on our art and design skills with an array of materials. We will be working on our paper weaving skills, working with clay, exploring tone through shading and experimenting with different brush strokes. We will look at the ceramist - Clarice Cliff and will design our own plate inspired by her work.

We will continue to develop our sketching skills.

After the half term, in DT we will look and explore how objects move. We will design and make our own moving monster!

Music



Our weekly music lessons will allow us to participate in creating new sounds with instruments and our voices. We will continue learning formal notations. The children will explore djembe drumming and singing songs related to our topic 'What a Wonderful World'.

PHSE



In our social studies and citizenship sessions, we will explore the topic 'Dear Diary'. We will discuss themes around Keeping Safe. Some of the topics we will discuss are staying safe online, staying safe outside and staying safe at home. We will continue to develop our understanding of environmental issues and sustainability.

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