#### Curriculum Newsletter

#### Year 2 - Autumn 2

# Reading

In Reading this term, we will be focusing on developing reading skills: word definition, information retrieval, making an inference or prediction and sequencing events. We are also continuing phonics teaching with all children across the year group.

## Writing

This term we will be writing a personal narrative about an important experience in our lives. After, we will be creating s storyboard using inspiration from the book 'Don't let the pigeon drive the bus'. Finally, we will be writing a letter to person of our choice.

### **Maths**

This term in Maths we will study addition and subtraction with exchanging and regrouping. We will then move on to shape.

### **Science**

Our Science focus this half term is Biology. We will be learning about the needs of animals. We will focus on what animals need to survive.

### D&T

In D&T we will learn to make a colourful salad and will select ingredients based on colour and texture.

## Computing

In Computing we will be learning about programming Robot algorithms using the software scratch.

# <u>History</u>

Our focus this term is 'Local History'. We will be visiting Gorton Monastery and explore primary and secondary sources to see how it has changed over time.

### **Music**

In music, we will be focusing on learning songs and dances for our nativity!





### **PHSE**

In PSHE this term our topic is mental and emotional health. We will learn about small and big feelings, keeping ourselves and others safe online and learn to tell the difference between joking and bullying.

## <u>RE</u>

In RE, we are focusing on philosophy and Judaism. Our topic is 'What does it mean to be free?' We will learn about the significance of freedom in diverse Jewish practices at Passover (seder).

# Other Information

# PE days:

- Squirrel Tuesday
- Hedgehog Tuesday
- Badger Tuesday

Children should come to school in their PE kit on their PE day.

#### Homework:

- Please read with your child at least four times a week and record it on learning with parents! Please upload pictures and even audio clips of your children reading.
- Read your child's phonics, library and non-fiction book. There are also hundreds of books available to read on MyOn.
- Practice spellings on EdShed. These will be set weekly and will be tested on Fridays.
- Complete any paper homework sent home by your child's teacher. This usually includes a math and a writing activity.
- Everyone will receive 10 dojo points for completed homework.

In class we would love to celebrate the amazing homework children do at home. This means that any time your child completes a piece of homework, send a photo to your class teacher on Class Dojo so it can be celebrated and rewarded. Children will receive Class Dojo points for completing their homework.

If you require any additional information, please contact your child's class teacher on Class Dojo, who will be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

The Year 2 team