

Curriculum Learning Overview

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**Autumn Term 2023: Class 2**

This document will hopefully give you an overview of what Class 2's learning will look like during the Autumn term.

**Curriculum coverage:**

- Phonics, Maths and English are taught daily.
- PE will be on a Thursday & Friday. Please ensure children come in their PE kits.
- Music, PSHE and metacognition are taught weekly.

All other subjects are 'blocked' (taught daily over a period of 1 or 2 weeks). Please see page 2 for an outline of what will be covered in topics this term.

Please check your '**Class Dojo**' app for messages throughout the week.

Let the office know if you do not have access to this.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Ellis

## English: Reading & Writing

Our reading and writing this term will explore the following themes. During Autumn 1, the focus will be on traditional tales. The focus texts will be **Jack and The Beanstalk** and **The Three Little Pigs**.

During Autumn 2, we will explore well-loved stories. **The Tiger who came to tea** and **Owl Babies**. We will also look at poems and some non-fiction writing; our writing and reading will be based around these books and texts.

The children will continue to use our VIPERS acronym to enhance their comprehension skills and explain key events in the text and the main characters feelings. (Vocabulary, Inference, Predict, Explain, Retrieve, Summarise).

## Maths

The principal focus of mathematics teaching in Key Stage 1 is to ensure that pupils develop confidence and mental fluency with whole numbers, counting and place value. We will be developing fluency through our daily fluency practice.

Year 1 – Place Value (within 10), followed by addition and subtraction and shape.  
Year 2 – Place Value (within 100), followed by addition and subtraction and shape.

## Music

This term the focus for music will be on pulse and rhythm. We will be practicing using our voices in different ways, feeling the pulse and listening to a piece of music with concentration.

## PE

A sporting influence coach will be Miss Bruce, they will teach PE every Thursday afternoon. PE on Friday afternoon is class teacher lead.

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## Art: Shape (Drawing)

We will be exploring the work of Paul Klee and using his famous pieces of art to inspire the children's creativity. We will do this by creating abstract compositions using various shapes and identify, make and design their use of shape for print.

## History

Recall the date the original building of Spofforth Castle was built. Understand and explain the role of a castle- including parts of a castle and the role of knights. Understand and explain what Spofforth castle was used for and talking about the links with the Percy Family.

## Computing

In computing this term, we will be focusing on project evolve and digital literacy (computing systems and networks – information around us)

## Science: Everyday Materials

The children will focus on the use of everyday materials including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock. Together we will explore which objects can be bent, twisted, stretched and manipulated and begin to realise why an object is suitable for its use e.g. why is a saucepan metal and not plastic.

## RE

In Autumn 1 – The children will explore the story of creation from Genesis, they will begin to recognise that 'Creation' is the beginning of the 'big story' of the bible. They retell the story of creation and will say what the story tells Christians about god.

In Autumn 2 – To use creative ways to express their own ideas about the creation story. We will talk about the issues of good, bad, right and wrong arising from the stories.

## . Design and Technology: Textiles.

The children will design a pouch and evaluate these. The key skills they will be using are

- Cutting fabric for sewing,
- Decorating pouches using fabric glue or running stitch
- Evaluate the quality of the stitching on someone else's pouch
- Discuss as a class the success of their stitching against the success criteria.

## PSHE: (Personal, Social, Health & Education):

In PSHE this term, we will be focusing on the topics 'Identity, society and equality'. During this topic the children will learn:

The children will learn about what makes them special, the roles and responsibilities they have at school and at home. Finishing up with learning about being cooperative with others.

## Ideas for creative writing at home this term...

- Write a recount of your favourite part of the summer holiday.
- Create a list of items to pack in a suitcase.
- Write a postcard to a friend/family member.
- Create a picture that shares the emotions that the character is feeling.
  - Write a story with a beginning, middle and end.
- Write your own version of the three little pigs.

## Homework

For information about our Homework policy please click the link below:

[Homework | Federation of Follifoot and Spofforth](#)

We welcome and encourage children to continue their learning beyond school and share the results with us. We have consciously decided not to publish or set homework sheets to avoid these becoming a list to work through however there are some key weekly tasks/ activities that we would like all children to complete. These are outlined on this page alongside some ideas to encourage creative writing at home...

## TT Rockstars App

Being confident at times tables helps all areas of Maths including problem solving. Daily Practice on TT Rockstars will improve times table recall and speed and incorrect answers are immediately corrected so that children start to associate the correct answer to every question.



## Phonics

In Early Years and KS1 in addition to daily phonics we read three times a week in school. Please listen to your child when they bring home their reading practice book each week.



## Daily Reading

Learning to read – and to love to read – is directly linked to children's success at school and beyond. Reading **daily** with and to your child is the single most important thing that you can do to help them with their learning.

For more information about how to support your child with their reading, please visit our school website.

## Spelling App

Please remind your child to log on to Spelling Shed. This will help children consolidate the statutory spellings for their year group as well as revising the spelling rules.

