

Curriculum Newsletter YEAR 2 | Summer 1 | 2025

Dear Families,

Thank you for all your support this term. We have really enjoyed making our African masks and going on trips to the Roald Dahl Museum and the Synagogue!

Here is an outline of the curriculum coverage for the first half of Summer 1. We hope you have a wonderful Easter break.

This half term our topic is **Nurturing Nurses** for History and will be focussing on the key question '**Who should have their statue outside St. Thomas' Hospital?**'

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Our 'Stunning Start' to launch our topic will be: Meeting the 'Lady of the Lamp' - she will travel from the past to come and visit the Year 2 pupils at school.	We will enhance children's learning and 'Cultural Capital' with the following experiences, websites and texts: Trip to the Florence Nightingale Museum.
Our 'Showcase' piece of work at the end of the topic will be: We will be holding a debate in trios to discuss and argue the answer to the question 'Who should have their statue outside St Thomas Hospital?'	Our 'Shared Outcome' to communicate our learning: The showcase event will be photographed and put on Seesaw. Photos will be displayed in our classrooms.

Here is a breakdown of the skills and knowledge to be covered in each subject through this topic:

English:

We will be reading 'A Bear Called Paddington' and some of his other stories. Key skills:

-we will write instructions using imperative verbs, conjunctions and the features and layout for instructional writing -we will be writing an adventure story

Maths:

Key topics:

- Fractions
- Time

-Science:

Plants -

We will observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants and find out how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy. We will be answering the KEY QUESTION – How do plants grow?

Reminders:

-To read with your child a minimum of three times a week.

-To write in the diary when your child has finished a book so we know to ask them to change it.

Computing: Photoshopping

We will learn how to edit a photo using simple tools. We will learn how to cut out and layer images. This will be linked to our science topic.

History: The Nurturing Nurses topic helps us learn about the lives and work of Florence Nightingale, Edith Cavell and Mary Seacole.

RE: Our religion for this half term is: **Islam Baha'i.** We will explore the question: How are we the same and different from other people and does it matter?

Art: We will be learning about impressionist artists and their work. We will create some impressionist art of our own.

PE: Outdoor: Complete PE – Feet 1

Indoor: Complete PE - Pathways

Music: Designed by Mrs Kraft our specialist Music Teacher

PSHE: We begin the topic 'Relationships' we will explore the different kinds of relationships we have with people. We will also look at how to solve conflicts, what trust means and how to keep safe.