

English

There will be four main components to our English lessons each week in Key Stage 2. Statutory spellings and spelling rules will be taught daily using 'spell shed', a progressive scheme that builds on children's current knowledge. Handwriting (letter join) will also be integrated into these daily sessions. . The children will also be learning and recalling grammar skills using 'grammarsaurus.' These skills will be expanded on in writing lessons. Every morning after registration, the children will be accessing shared guided reading sessions for 20 minutes daily.

In our writing lessons, we will be focusing on a new current class book, which is called 'The Unforgotten Coat' by Frank Cottrell. This book is a heart-warming story about two refugee brothers who are trying to navigate British life all whilst hiding from a mysterious 'demon' leading to a shocking reveal about their true status and forced return.

Maths

Each day in Maths we will complete 10 differentiated arithmetic questions that will be marked with the children so they can check and understand the variety of methods used.

This term the children will be focusing on SAT type questions and SATs revision., The children will also continue to work with a scheme called NCETM which is run by the Yorkshire Ridings Maths Hub.

Investigators also have a challenge/games station what they are encouraged to use in order to build on their knowledge, the challenge station includes various manipulative and challenge cards as well as some fun maths games!

Topic

Our new topic this term is 'The Vikings and how do we know so much about Viking York? The children will be investigating how and when the Vikings settled in York and the challenges they faced.

Computing

For ICT this term, Investigators will be focusing on video trailers.

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Our Topic: The Vikings.



RE

Our new topic this term is: 'For Christians, what kind of King is Jesus?' This will focus on Jesus's role as a servant king whose authority is defined by love, sacrifice and humanity.

Music

For music, the children will be learning about South and west African music.

Mr Butterfield and Mrs Bond from North Yorkshire music service also offer private or group music lessons, please see Mrs Barron for more information.

Science

The topic for this half term is Evolution and Inheritance followed by The Human Circulatory System.

PE

Our new topic for PE is Invasion games (attacking and defending). PE will take place on a Tuesday afternoon, lead by HAWKES.

On Thursday afternoons, the children will be taking part in dance lessons lead by Hannah Verity. PE kids will need to be worn on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Art & D&T

Investigators will be taking part in D&T for this half term, the main focus will be electrical systems which will consist of making torches!

French

This term our French topic is 'Exploring the French World'. This will give the children the opportunity to develop cultural awareness, geographical knowledge and linguistic skills. .

PSHE

The children will continue to take part in the scheme, 'My Happy Mind' alongside our PSHE lessons which will aim to help develop the children's confidence, self esteem and resilience.