

Year 2 Curriculum Overview - Autumn Term (2)

Our topic this term is: **Fighting Fit!**

English:

In English we will be reading 'Little Red Riding Hood and the Sweet Little Wolf'. We will sequence and discuss the main events in the story as well as discuss key vocabulary within the text. After reading the story, we will make inferences about characters and events using evidence from the text as well as giving opinions and supporting our opinions with reasons. We will have the opportunity to write our own narrative story with a focus on descriptive language, punctuation and conjunctions such as 'and', 'but' and 'or'.

Following on from that, we will move on to looking at instructions. In this unit, we will read a range of nonfiction texts, including instructions. We will sequence and discuss the main events through group discussions as well as listening to and responding to the contribution of others. We will focus on using commas to separate items in a list, learning how to select, generate and effectively use verbs and using specific text type features to write for a range of audiences and purposes.

Maths:

In Maths, this half term, we will be adding and subtracting two digit numbers using a range of strategies. We will be introduced to methods such as column addition, column subtraction and regrouping tens and ones. We will use the symbols for less than (<), greater than (>) and equal to (=) to compare numbers.

Moving on from this, we will be focusing on shape. Before learning about the properties of a shape, we will recognise and name both 2-D and 3-D shapes and differentiate between them. We will begin to understand that 2-D shapes are flat and we will learn to recognise 2-D shapes in different orientations and proportions. We will also look at vertex and vertices and understand that a vertex is where two lines meet at a point. We will be able to recognise that corners are vertices and identify and count vertices on shapes. We will use our knowledge on the properties of 2-D shapes to create patterns.

Moreover, we will use our knowledge of 2-D shapes to identify the shapes of faces on 3-D shapes. We will use our knowledge of faces and curved surfaces to help us to identify edges on 3-D shapes. We will learn that an edge is where two faces meet or where a face and a curved surface meet. Furthermore, we will use our knowledge of edges to help us identify vertices on 3-D shapes.

Theme:

This half term in Theme, we will be focusing on the stages of growth in humans and the elements that help humans live a healthy life. We will do this by studying the 'Eatwell Guide' and the different food groups. Additionally, we will be learning about the importance of '5 a day' and nutrients to the body. We will conduct an experiment to investigate the effects of different physical activities on heart rate. We will also learn the importance of hygiene and how keeping clean protects humans from illnesses and infections.

In Relationships and Health Education we will be focusing on caring friendships and how friends make us feel happy and secure. We will also spend some time learning about bullying and its effect on mental wellbeing.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

The Y2 Team