



# Suffolks Primary School Curriculum Newsletter Year 2 Autumn 2020

**It's lovely to have you all back in school. We have lots of exciting learning planned for you this term. Read all about it below!**

## Science

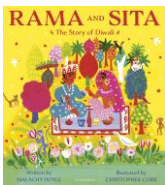
We have begun learning about animals and their offspring and what the basic needs of animals, including humans, are. We will then be finding out about the importance of keeping healthy and how to do this. The children will be learning about how to eat the right amounts of different types of food and basic hygiene routines that are needed to keep themselves healthy.

## DT

This term, we are going to become inventors! The children will be making puppets and vehicles. They will be taught to develop ideas through talking, modelling and drawing. They will select from and use a wide range of materials and components to make their products which they will then evaluate against their design criteria.

## RE

This term we will focus on the theme of light and dark, The children will have the opportunity to explore different ways that people celebrate their faith through stories. The children will learn about the Hindu festival of Diwali and the Jewish festival of Chanukah.



## Reading

We will be continuing with Daily Supported Reading (DSR). This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to read to an adult every day in small groups. The focus is on improving sight vocabulary, fluency and comprehension. Please make sure you read with your child at least 3 times a week.



## English

This term we will be looking at non-fiction texts. We will be writing information leaflets about animals and instructions linked to our puppet making. We will be learning how to write a clear set of instructions using time conjunctions and imperative verbs. After half-term we will be focusing on traditional stories such as Little Red Riding Hood, The Gruffalo and The Enormous Turnip. We will be paying close attention to story language and punctuation such as capital letters and full stops, commas, exclamation marks and question marks.

## History

Next half term we will be studying The Great Fire of London. We will be looking at how it started and what it was like to live through it. We will also be studying Sir Christopher Wren who helped to rebuild London after the fire

## Maths

We love Maths in Year 2!  
This term in Maths we will be learning to count on and back in tens from any two digit number, recognise place value in two and three digit numbers and beyond. The children will become familiar with using dienes and numicon to represent tens and ones. We will also be focusing on money, recognising the value of coins up to £1. We will also use the coins to solve money problems.



## PSHE

“Being Me in my World” is the theme of PSHE this half term. This covers

- Belonging and feeling safe at school
- Being positive and looking forward to learning
- Friendship
- Managing worries and fear

We explore these areas through stories, circle time discussions and games.

We will also spend some time to support any worries and anxieties the children may have around Covid-19 and coming back to school.

## Class news

Please ensure the following is in school everyday

- Pencil case
- Water bottle
- Pack of tissues
- Full uniform
- Fruit for a snack

**PE kit:** Red t-shirt, black joggers or shorts, black hoodie (optional) and trainers.

**Google Classroom** – In the event of a local lockdown or bubble closure, it will be essential that you are able to access the online learning platform. Please contact us with any concerns.

## Homework

- Please log in to Google Classroom and refer to the homework newsletter to see all of the exciting activities that have been planned.
- Log on and use Times Table Rockstars for at least 5 minutes each day.



## Useful sites

White Rose Maths home learning videos – a video for every lesson we teach in class!  
<https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-2>

BBC Bitesize English support  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zgkw2hv>

