

# Year 2

## Newsletter and Subjects Overview



### HAPPY NEW YEAR!

It has been wonderful to welcome the children back after the winter break. They achieved so much last term, and their enthusiasm for learning continues to grow. We look forward to seeing them build on this strong foundation as they embrace new challenges this spring term.

### HOME PROJECT DATES

The children will be given a table of projects and activity ideas to complete over the Autumn term. These activities are voluntary, and we always love seeing the creativity children bring to them whenever they choose to share.

Each Friday, the class teachers will select one child from each year group who has demonstrated exceptional effort and progress. These children will have the special opportunity to present their projects during our weekly 'Celebration Assembly'. Those who share their work will be invited to enjoy a delightful afternoon tea on the last Friday of each month.

#### Science

Create a model of a habitat. This could be polar, desert, woodland or ocean! Think about the plants and animals you would find there.

#### English

Write a diary entry from the point of view of Neil Armstrong the day he walked on the moon.

#### Computing

Make a stop motion animation flip book to show an explorer moving through a landscape.

#### History

Create a fact file about one of the exciting explorers we are learning about this term.

#### Maths

Create an animal out of 2D shapes. You could make your 2D shapes out of card.

#### Art

Make a 3D model of plane. Perhaps you could use a toilet roll for the middle of the plane and card for the wings.



'Be the best you can'

Key Dates



Spring Term Trip  
TBC

Monday 16th  
February to Friday  
20th February  
23<sup>rd</sup> February INSET  
DAY - School Closed

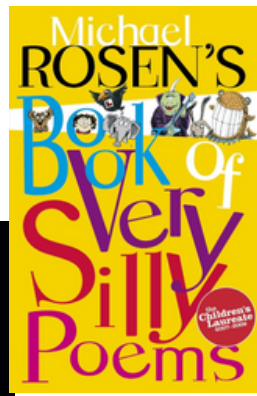
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March  
Nightingales visit to  
Raynes Park Library

5th March  
World Book Day

10th & 11th March  
Parents evening

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March  
Last day of Term  
1.30pm finish

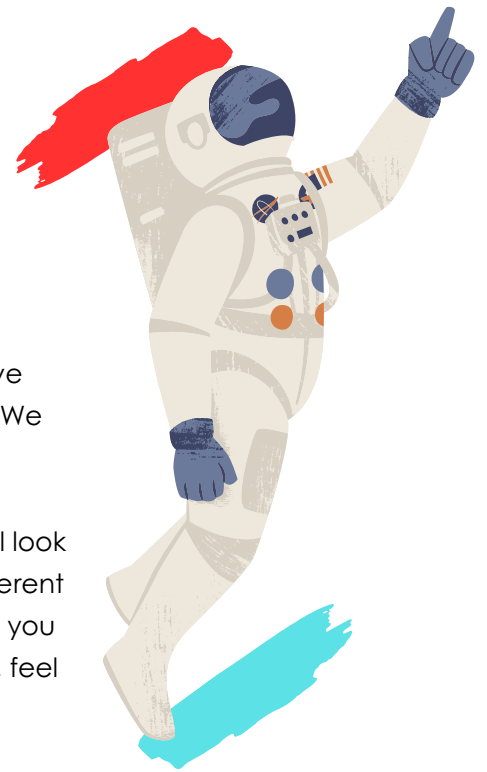




## ENGLISH & READING

This term, Year 2 will be exploring a range of writing genres including stories, recounts and non-chronological reports. There will be opportunities to write both fiction and non-fiction pieces of writing. Through these activities, they will develop their creative and expressive skills.

The class will also explore new worlds in some exciting books such as *Man on the Moon* by Simon Bartram and *The Way Back Home* by Oliver Jeffers, which will inspire their writing and deepen their understanding of storytelling.



## MATHS

Year 2 will be focusing on several important topics in maths, including:

- Shape (2D and 3D)
- Money
- Multiplication and division
- Length and height
- Mass, capacity and temperature

## TOPIC

During the course of the Spring term, our topic is '**Explorers - New World Discoveries**'. We will be learning about different explorers and where they have travelled over time, including Ibn Battuta, Amelia Earhart and Neil Armstrong. We will use maps of the world to locate where these explorers travelled.

In Science, we will be learning about all living things and their habitats. We will look at how most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants. If you have any resources at home that you would be happy to share with our class, feel free to bring them into school.

## Extra information

### PE DAYS:

Tuesdays & Fridays

Children to come in wearing their PE kit.

Thank you from the Year 2 team

Miss Neal & Miss Newson with

Mrs Jade

