



Curriculum Newsletter Bonneygrove Primary School

Year Two Autumn Term 2

English

Narrative (Fiction Genres): During this unit, the children will be looking at a traditional tale. We are using Talk for Writing to aid us in retelling the story. Then we will be innovating it by changing the characters and some of the events, while maintaining the same structure of the story.

Non-Fiction (Instruction writing): We will be learning about the features of instruction writing and writing our own instructions based on our D&T vehicles unit.

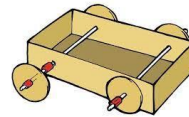
Poetry (Vocabulary Building): The children will read calligram poems as well as write and perform their own versions of poems.

PHSE

Celebrating difference: This unit will focus on similarities and differences, particularly in relation to gender. We will be exploring how it is okay to be friends with people who are different from us and that these differences are what makes us unique.

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This term we will be learning about the seven continents of the world and investigating moving mechanisms on vehicles.



Our 50 things to do before leaving Bonneygrove...

This term we will be

Listening to African Drumming!

Learning a song about the continents.

Mathematics

Addition and Subtraction

In Mathematics, we are continuing to expand and consolidate our knowledge of addition and subtraction. The children will be recalling and using their addition and subtraction facts to 20. Additionally, they will be adding and subtracting 2-digit numbers and answering missing number questions.

Shape

We will be learning all about 2-D and 3-D shapes. Identifying them, looking at their properties and sorting them into groups. We will also be looking at symmetry within shapes.

Geography

The living Seas

The children will be using maps to investigate the UK, learning about the four countries and their capital cities as well as its surrounding seas. We will also be looking at globes to name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans.

Later in our Geography lessons, we will be comparing living in a harbour town and living in Cheshunt, including looking at occupations and recreational activities within these regions.



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Science

We will be learning all about different materials. The children will be identifying and comparing the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses. We will be discussing and testing which materials would make the best raincoat?



Computing

In computing this half term, the children are focussing on 'Computer Art'. They will have the opportunity to learn about reproducing the painting styles of great artists using computer programs. Each lesson focuses upon a different artist and their particular style. The children will use this as inspiration to learn specific techniques within design-based software.

RE

The children will be looking at Christianity, learning about and reflecting on the Christmas story and the reasons for Jesus' birth. They will be discussing why Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world.

PE

This half term, the children will be practising their gymnastics skills, performing basic actions with control and balance. They will be practising simple sequences of actions using different directions and levels to make it more interesting.

D&T

In D&T, we will be investigating vehicles and how they move. The children will be attaching wheels to toy vehicles and designing how to construct and use a movement mechanism to build a toy vehicle. They will have the chance to construct and test out a toy vehicle that includes a movement mechanism using wheels and axles.

School Values- *Resilience, Honesty, Ambition, Creativity, Kindness and Inclusion.*

You can join in with our learning at home by:

Reading:

Please listen to your child read regularly to improve fluency. Support them with sounding out words and blending sounds together, ask them questions using inference to check understanding.

Have a watch of this video to learn more about the world's oceans:

[Journey to the Bottom of the Sea - YouTube](#)

A good website for practising number bonds and times tables:

[Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds \(topmarks.co.uk\)](#)

Writing: Support your children in learning their spellings and writing sentences about what you have been up to. Please also practise the common exception words given out at parents evening.

Maths: Practising number bonds and related number facts, 2, 5 and 10 times tables and speaking to your children about money and time.