

# 'Everyone valued, everyone challenged, everyone achieving'

## English



**Reading** - During Guided Reading the children will focus on:

- Developing different reading strategies;
- Improving their comprehension skills using Reciprocal Reading to deepen understanding.
- Learn how to infer meaning from the text. (They will use the text to try and understand what a character is thinking or feeling or perhaps what they are likely to do next.)

They will be taught to:

- Provide evidence from the text
- Make sensible predictions
- Clarify meanings
- Summarise texts.

**Speak Up!** - We are continuing to promote Standard English in both speaking and writing.



## **Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter - Spring Term 2018/19**

Mrs Warne/Mrs Adam (YGLs) - 2W  
Mrs Khanom - 2A  
Miss Khatun - 2K  
Ms Thacker - 2N



We continue to thank parents for their partnership with our school and their involvement in their children's learning. Please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

## Computing



Children will be Chromebook. Using an online program called Scratch, they will be creating their own interactive stories and animations. Computing will also be included within all subjects and children will research topics during their lessons.

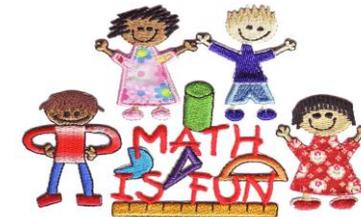
## Maths

In Maths we will aim to master:

- Addition and subtraction;
- Multiplication and division;
- Lengths
- Mass
- Temperature
- Picture graphs

We will also focus on learning a range of problem solving strategies.

Children must learn their 2, 5 and 10 times tables off by heart.



## Science



The children will learn about plants and how they grow.

Children will:

- observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants
- find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

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## R.E/PSHE



**R.E.** - We will be exploring religious books from different faiths and learning about the different features of places of worship.

**PSHE** - Children will be exploring SMART goals and setting their own targets. They will also be working out ways to meet these targets successfully.



2A - Mondays/Friday

2K - Mondays/Tuesdays

2W - Mondays/Tuesdays

2N - Mondays/Thursday

Please remember to make sure your child has their PE kit on Mondays. They will take it home to wash on Fridays.

## Music



**Music** - This term the children will be taking part in an exciting Music project with talented musicians.

They will be celebrating Mother Tongue Day.

## Home Learning

Homework is a continuation of school work at home and is a great opportunity for your child to practice the skills they have learnt.

**Reading** - At Essex Primary School, we encourage our children to have a passion for reading. In Year 2, we are keen for the children to progress through the Oxford Reading Scheme at a quick pace and become fluent 'Free Readers'. To do this they need to read aloud daily to an adult. Please write a short comment in their reading record book to communicate to us how they are reading at home.

**Spellings** - Weekly spellings should be practised at home daily using the Read, Write, Look, Cover, Check strategy. They can practise writing the words in their blue spelling book.

**English** - A writing task will be provided every week. We expect a high standard of writing, the same as we would expect in a lesson.

**Maths** - Activities are given based on the unit of work taught that week. An example is usually given, as a reminder to children of how to solve the problem.

**Speak Up!** - A poem will be given to be learned off by heart at the beginning of each half term. This term you will have the opportunity to watch your child perform in an assembly.



## English/Geography



Our Geography topic will be linked to English. We will be learning about The Continents and Lagos, Nigeria.

We will be:

- Learning about the seven continents, where they are located and finding out key facts about each one.
- Writing a non-chronological information text about the continents.
- Comparing the key features of Lagos and London.
- Finding about the lives of people who live in Lagos and how this compares with people living in London.

## Educational Visits



In RE we will be learning about places of worship and will be visiting the East London Mosque.