

# Newsletter – Summer 1 – Year 2

<p>ENGLISH</p>	<p>We will be writing to discuss traditional and twisted tales, including stories such as <i>The Three Little Pigs</i> and <i>Little Red Riding Hood and the Big Bad Book</i>, considering whether the characters are truly “bad” and encouraging the children to explore and potentially change their opinions.</p>	<p>MATHS</p>	<p>We will be learning to recognise half, quarters and thirds of objects and numbers. We will be learning to count in fractions up to a whole and recognise equivalence of halves and quarters. We will be learning to tell the time to o'clock, half past, quarter past and to.</p>
<p>SCIENCE</p>	<p>Our science topic of 'biodiversity-minibeasts' will support the children to learn about the importance of biodiversity and what an ecosystem is. We will be learning about minibeasts and habitats found in the UK.</p>	<p>COMPUTING</p>	<p>In our Data Handling topic, <i>International Space Station</i>, we will be learning to create and label images, collect and input data into spreadsheets, and interpret the information we find. We will also continue developing our touch-typing skills and using computers and tablets to support our learning.</p>
<p>HISTORY</p>	<p>Our history topic is 'Nurturing Nurses', where we will be focusing on significant individuals in History. We will be learning about Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole and Edith Cavell and how they improved nursing and healthcare.</p>	<p>DESIGN &amp; TECHNOLOGY</p>	<p>In our topic of 'structures', we will be learning to design and make a chair for baby bear.</p>
<p>PHONICS</p>	<p>We will be learning the following sounds and spelling rules: -wa saying /wo/ and qua saying /quo/ -tion saying /shun/ -adding suffixes -ful, -less and -ly to words. -homophones and near homophones -adding prefix dis-</p>	<p>MUSIC</p>	<p>Our music topic this half term is 'Myths and Legends' where we will learn to identify the structure of a piece of music and record this. We will explore ways of recording textural layers of music and how to compose music with several layers.</p>
<p>P.S.H.E</p>	<p>Our topic is 'money matters' where we will be learning how money is obtained and used within society. We will develop our understanding of how to recognise, keep safe and value money.</p>	<p>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION</p>	<p>Our key question this half term is 'How do some people talk to Gods?' where we will be learning about ways people communicate with God and why they do this.</p>
<p>P.E</p>	<p>We will focus on jumping, developing the ability to link jumps, improve speed and land safely. In 'rackets, bats and balls', children will practise striking skills, understand the roles of batters and fielders, and improve accuracy to score points.</p>		