

# Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year!

Our topic this half term is...

**'Oh I do like to be beside the seaside'**



## Topic

Year 2 will be learning about holidays from the 1950s and 1960s, in particular seaside holidays. We will be thinking about how holidays have changed over recent years, what things are still the same, what are different and the reasons why these changes have happened.

As part of their collage topic in Art, children will be combining a range of materials that can be cut, torn and glued. To create a large seaside scene of Saltburn. We will also be studying Van Gogh and recreating some of his famous paintings.

In Music, the children will be listening and appraising rock songs this half term, as well as continuing to enjoy our singing lesson each Tuesday afternoon.

In Design and Technology, the children will be looking at using textiles and templates. They will be designing and making their own puppet for a Punch and Judy show.

## Maths

The children will be continuing to practise their multiplication and division skills focusing on 2s, 5s and 10 times tables. They will then move on to a statistics topic focusing on pictograms and block diagrams. Year 2 will then work on length and height to end the half term.

Times Tables!	
1 x 2 = 2	1 x 10 = 10
2 x 2 = 4	2 x 10 = 20
3 x 2 = 6	3 x 10 = 30
4 x 2 = 8	4 x 10 = 40
5 x 2 = 10	5 x 10 = 50
6 x 2 = 12	6 x 10 = 60
7 x 2 = 14	7 x 10 = 70
8 x 2 = 16	8 x 10 = 80
9 x 2 = 18	9 x 10 = 90
10 x 2 = 20	10 x 10 = 100
1 x 5 = 5	
2 x 5 = 10	
3 x 5 = 15	
4 x 5 = 20	
5 x 5 = 25	
6 x 5 = 30	
7 x 5 = 35	
8 x 5 = 40	
9 x 5 = 45	
10 x 5 = 50	

## English

This half term, the children will be focusing on story writing, persuasive writing and recounts. This will be linked to our Topic work on the seaside and to the Shirley Hughes book—Lucy and Tom at the seaside. The children will be writing a story based around Saltburn beach and creating an advertisement to visit Saltburn. Children will be continuing to bring home their reading books to practise at home

during the week.

Children will also be practising spelling using their phonic sounds, with a daily spelling lesson and a weekly spelling test.



## PE

This term Y2's PE sessions are on a Monday and Thursday. Please ensure children come to school in their PE kits on those days.

The children will be continuing to practise their dance and gymnastics skills.



## Science

Y2's Science topic is Healthy Me. The children will be looking at what they need to do in order to be healthy in mind and body. They will be exploring the importance of exercise, diet, good hygiene and also what they can do to be safe and happy.



## Computing

The children will be focusing on questioning and graphs this half term. This will be done on Purplemash which they can also access at home.



## Homework

Children will have the option to consolidate their learning further by choosing activities from their homework menu. Children can complete as many tasks as they wish, but will need to achieve 20 points in order to receive a certificate!

I will continue to communicate through Marvellous Me and Google Classroom. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Wishing you all a wonderful Spring term.

Mrs Mitchell