

Mathematics: To begin with Year 2, we will be looking at number and place value, focussing on reading and writing numbers to 100 and using those skills to count forwards and backwards from a given number. We will then move onto addition and subtraction, using our knowledge of place value to support our work.

English: For English, we will be writing a narrative based on the story of 'Peace Lily' by Hilary Robinson using noun phrases. We will also be using this text to write a positive letter home from Lily to her friends Ben and Ray. Alongside this, we will be using the poem 'Where the Poppies Now Grow' by Hilary Robinson to write our own poems to perform.

Science:

In science this half term, we will be discovering plants and animals in a range of habitats. We will consider life processes of all living things and how a range of different living things depend on one another for food or shelter, creating food chains.

PE: This half term, our PE topics are attack, defend and shoot alongside gymnastics. Year 2 will be focussing on learning a variety of skills to help them perform independently as well as in a team.

Autumn 1 2025 - Class 2B are learning about:

How was school different in the past?

History: In history this half term we will be finding out that schools have been in the locality for a long time, but they have not always been the same. Children will look for similarities and differences and use a range of sources enabling them to recognise some continuity between their lives and the past. We will explore whether we would have preferred to go to school in the past or not and explain why.

RE:

Year 2 will be focussing on Islam this half term, with a key focus of prayer and routines.

Text Driver: 'Where the Poppies Now Grow' - Hilary Robinson.
'Peace Lily' - Hilary Robinson.

Art:

In art, we will be learning, exploring and creating maps through various art forms, including drawing, felt making, printmaking, and designing stained glass. We will develop skills in sorting, designing, and evaluating art, encouraging students to present and discuss their creations in a class gallery setting.

Music:

In Music this half term, Year 2 will be using instruments to represent animals, copying rhythms and creating call and response rhythms.

PSHE:

In our PSHE lessons, we are exploring the theme "Being in My World." This topic helps us understand who we are, how we connect with others, and why it's important to celebrate both our similarities and differences.

Computing:

This half term, our computing unit is called

'What is a computer?'

In this unit, Year 2 will be learning how inputs and outputs work and understanding how computers are used in the wider world.

Homework

Homework will be sent home every Friday and should be returned to Mrs Bilawal by the following Thursday.

Children will bring home their reading books and library books daily, which will be changed once a week.

We encourage children to read at home every day and to log their reading on Boom Reader.

To support spelling development, children will receive their weekly spellings every Monday, with a spelling test on Friday.

These spellings are linked to the activities on Spelling Shed, which can be used for extra practice at home.

Nonsuch Values:

During this half term, the children will be focussing on a different Nonsuch Value each week. These are:

- Compassion
- Self-awareness
- Aspiration
- Commitment
- Resilience
- Integrity

As a class, we will be completing work around each of these values and how we can display them in everyday life.