



**Year 2 - Spring term-  
Once upon a dragon ...**

**ENGLISH**

This half term, we will be sharing lots of dragon stories. This will then lead to writing our own dragon stories focusing on using a variety of sentence openers, adverbs and conjunctions. Children will also be introduced to paragraphing. We will then be writing descriptions including similes and alliteration. We will continue to study the use of apostrophes for possession and contractions.

Spelling continues to be a focus and children will be encouraged to edit their work using a spelling mat.

Throughout the year, we have been learning how to join our handwriting. We are encouraging children to use the joins they have learnt in lessons however, remembering not to join unknown letters and never capitals.

**MATHS**

Skills we will be working on this half term are:

- Division
- Adding 3 single digit numbers
- Adding 2 digit to another 2 digit number using blank number lines.
- Subtracting several single digit numbers
- Subtracting 2 digit numbers
- Fractions ( $\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$ )
- Adding and subtracting using money.

**PE**

To perform dances using simple movement patterns.

Developing teamwork and ball skills through playing games in small groups with a focus on football skills.

**GEOGRAPHY**

We will be working on naming, locating and studying weather patterns of the continents and oceans. We will be using maps, atlases and compasses.

**READING**

We have been completing reading comprehensions during guided reading. We are encouraging children to have a go and underline or show where they have found the answers.

**ART**

We will be exploring colour mixing. We will study Piet Mondrian. Children will then be making a 3D sculpture of a dragon. We will need 90 x clean 1 pint milk bottles to complete this project. Please save any milk bottles you have and hand them in to your class teacher. A final plea to remember to thoroughly wash out the milk bottles first as we don't want smelly dragons and classrooms!

**TIMES TABLES AND SPELLINGS**

A reminder that both timetable and spelling tests will be taking place weekly. Timetables on Mondays and Spellings on Fridays. Please don't rush ahead with the steps for the timetables as children will be moved as soon as they are ready.

**COMPUTING**

We will be practising typing, saving and retrieving files.

**SCIENCE**

We will be focusing on living organisms and their habitats. This will include studying different types of habitats and microhabitats. We will visit the school pond and study the living organisms that can found in our local area.

**RE**

We will be studying authority and linking this to the life of Jesus.

**PSHCE**

We will be focusing on Taking charge. This is a unit where children explore responsibilities, authority, decisions and consequences of actions.