

Summer!

Summer is here and hopefully some lovely weather to enable more outdoor learning.

SATs

Standardised Attainment Tests for Year 2 will take place at the start of the term. We will explain more about these at the Parents' Evening.

PE lessons

These are on Tuesdays and Fridays. If your child normally wears earrings, please make sure that they are removed on these two days. Please make sure your child's pumps still fit them

Contact

If you need to contact us, email us at:
y2@walsden.calderdale.sch.uk

or ring school to make an appointment for a phone call.

At Home

Reading:

Your child will continue to bring a reading book home every night. As well as hearing them read, please ask your child a few questions about the text to check their understanding. This term, please also include "Why do you think ...?" questions to challenge them further. As the reading books get longer, please enjoy the books over a couple of days rather than rushing through them in one session.

Spellings:

Your child will continue to bring home six spellings every Friday. Please copy them and return the book to school on the Monday. The test will be on the Thursday.

Handwriting:

Children will be given handwriting homework every week.

Topic:

Watch out for the new home project challenge for you to enjoy with your children.

Kenya

This term, our topic is Kenya. We will start by recapping the continents of the world and will then focus on Africa and Kenya.

We will be learning about the geography, culture, traditions, people and language. We will compare Walsden with a village in Kenya.



In science we will be learning more about animals and their habitats.

In Art, we will look at the work of Mark Rothko and we will produce some paintings reminiscent of African sunsets. We will also make some clay pots.

Are differences important?

English

Our literacy lessons will be focussed on the Just So Stories by Rudyard Kipling and also Meerkat Mail by Emily Gravett.

We will continue to work on:

- writing different genres, including poetry and non-chronological reports
- using exclamation marks, question marks and speech marks
- recognising and using nouns and noun phrases
- understanding verbs and using the correct tenses
- continuing to improve our joined handwriting
- using our knowledge of spelling patterns to write more independently
- plan and write own stories including a folktale with a moral.

We will also be reading in class every day, independently or in groups.

Mathematics

Our maths this term will include both practical and written activities. We will be revising the work done so far in Year Two and will applying the learning to more problem solving.

We will be working on:

- the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication & division
- addition and subtraction number bonds
- the multiplication and division facts of the 10X, 2X and 5X tables
- position and direction



- We will also be learning to tell the time. This is an area you could help with at home.

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= HAPPY**

