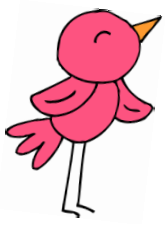




# Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter



Spring Term 2020

Welcome back to school! I hope you had a restful break, and some quality time together. We have so many wonderful things planned, all of which will be detailed in a class newsletter at the beginning of every term.

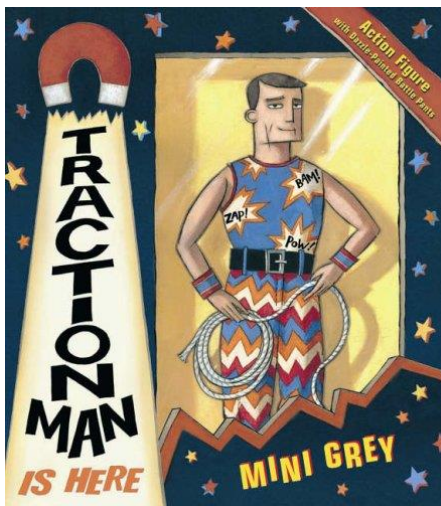
## Our class novel is:

Our class novel for spring 1 is *The Day the Crayons Quit* by Drew Daybutt. I know the children will love it 😊.



## English

To begin the spring term, we will focus our English lessons on 'Traction', by Mini Grey. After the success of our two previous focus texts, I know the children will enjoy this one just as much. Through this book, we will explore purposes for writing, write a recount and refine our editing skills.



We will continue with our grammar and punctuation lessons, to help prepare for our SATS (known as quizzes to the children.) During the spring term, our lessons will see us choosing effective adjectives to expand nouns, using commas for lists and writing in both the past and present tense.

## How to help at home

- Practical experience of using money and telling the time
  - Read, read, read!
  - Times tables

## Maths

In maths, we will continue to work on number and place value, which will include comparing and order numbers from 0 up to 100; using  $<$ ,  $>$  and  $=$  signs and finding 1 or 10 more or less than a given number.

We will also cover mass, including estimating and measuring, geometry and money. Other areas we will cover this half term include multiplication and division, fractions and time.

## Multiplication Monday

Children will continue take part in Multiplication Monday to secure their times table knowledge, so finding opportunities at home to work on this will really benefit their learning.

## Topic - Geography

Our topic this half term is Let's go to China! During this unit, we will find where China is located in the world and identify it on a world map. We'll draw a map of China and locate the capital city, some main cities and oceans. Children will understand what some aspects of Chinese life are like and describe the differences and similarities between schools in China and the UK. We will also compare our capital city of London, to Beijing.

## P.E

Our P.E topic for the Spring 1 term is Healthy Eating and Exercise which will be lead by Football First on a Monday.

## Science

Our next Science topic is uses of everyday materials, which will provide children with the chance to learn about the uses of everyday materials including wood, plastic, metal, glass, brick, paper and cardboard. Children then go on to compare the suitability of different everyday materials for different purposes. They will explore how objects made of some everyday materials can change shape and how the recycling process is able to reuse some everyday materials numerous times.

## R.E & PSHE

Mrs Slaney will be teaching RE, and the children will be thinking about Jesus being a friend to everyone. In PSHE, Mrs Taylor will be delivering lessons on the British Value of the rule of law, and also healthy living.

## General Notices

**PE kits:** blue shorts, white t-shirt, black pumps and trainers. Children will need an outdoor kit (a blue or black tracksuit). P.E kits need to be in school every day. Kits must be clearly labelled.

**Homework:** will continue with the grid format, with a range of tasks to complete. All homework must be handed in by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March.

**Reading books:** will be changed as and when. Please ensure you sign in your child's reading record to confirm that the book is finished.

As always, if you have any questions, or if you would like any further guidance in supporting your child, please don't hesitate to come and speak to us!

*Year 2 Team*

**Mrs Shepherd & Miss Scrivens**