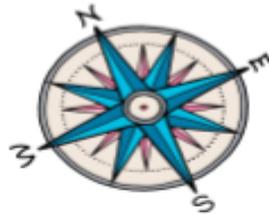


This half term the Year 2 topic will be...

In English we will be reading *The Lonely Beast* book written by the author Chris Judge. We will describe the characters, learn about story structures and sequence the main events. We will write a newspaper report and complete a book review. We will write about our own news each week. We will continue to practise writing in the cursive handwriting style so that we are ready to join our letters this year. We will learn new spellings and continue to use our phonics every day. We will take part in whole class and small guided reading sessions every week.

In ICT we will be practising the skills of logging on, keyboard skills, saving and adding images to text.

In Geography we will be learning about compass directions. We will look at maps to locate different places and use simple symbols on a key when we draw our own maps. In history, we will look at some significant individuals including scientists and explorers.



Journeys: How do we know where we are going?

In Art we will be looking at patterns, colour mixing and printing. Where possible we will be looking to nature and the local environment for inspiration.

In Music we will learn about volume and pitch. We will be taking part in singalong. We will be learning to play the xylophone.

In Heartsmart, our first theme will be 'Get Heartsmart' and we will look out how we can be thankful in collective worship.
In RE, we will be starting the Understanding Christianity Scheme with a focus on The Creation Story.

In Science we will learn about the basic needs of animals. We will learn about how we can stay healthy through diet and exercise. We will continue to work on developing our scientific skills through making observations, predictions and recording our ideas during investigations.

In Maths we will start off by revisiting numbers to 20 and 50 before moving on to numbers to 100. We will order and compare numbers and look at place value in two digit numbers We will practice counting forwards and backwards in 1s, 10s, 2s and 5s. We will continue to solve mathematical problems with a focus on explaining our reasoning and strategies. We will also look at shape patterns and number patterns and then position, direction and turns to link with our topic.

In PE we will be taking part in multi skills sessions and football. We will also take part in daily movement breaks and outdoor sessions eg) skipping, ball games etc.