

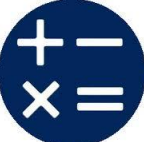













Year 2

Welcome back to a new year here at Westfield.

We would like to take this opportunity to tell you a little about what is coming up. As a school, we are currently focusing on improving progress in mathematics and developing children's writing as a part of our whole 'School Improvement Plan'.

Subject	Term 1	Term 2
PSHE 	<u>Being Me</u> <p>The children will discuss their hopes and fears for the year ahead - they will talk about feeling worried and recognising when they should ask for help and who to ask. They will talk about rights and responsibilities, how to work collaboratively, how to listen to each other and how to make their classroom a safe and fair place. The children talk about choices and the consequences of making different choices.</p>	<u>Celebrating Difference</u> <p>The children will talk about gender stereotypes and that boys and girls can have differences and similarities and that is ok. They talk about children being bullied because they are different, that this shouldn't happen and how to support a classmate who is being bullied. The children talk about feelings associated with bullying and how and where to get help. They talk about similarities and differences and that it is ok for friends to have differences without it affecting their friendship.</p>
English 	<p>Active English - nouns, verbs & adjectives - identifying these in given texts & using them in our own sentences. Improving given sentences using the above. Creating simple sentences using capital letters and full stops accurately. Checking for errors to improve our own work. Introduction of adverbs, including adverbs of time to start sentences and the use of adverbs to describe verbs.</p>	
	<p>The Hodgeheg - We will learn about Road Safety through reading the Hodgeheg. We will use our knowledge of adjectives, verbs and nouns to write a setting description and a set of instructions. The children will begin learning the Year 2 Common Exception words.</p>	<p>Lila and the Secret of Rain - We will be looking at non-fiction and fiction text based around the country of Kenya. We will create non-fiction leaflets about the country before looking at the story of Lila and the Secret of Rain. We will retell the story from Lila's point of view.</p>
Maths 	<p>Place Value - partitioning 2-digit numbers in tens and ones, comparing and ordering numbers to 100. Column addition and subtraction with and without regrouping. To be able to estimate numbers and place them on a blank number line. We will be practising the x10 multiplication table - please help with this at home.</p>	<p>Money - recognising notes and coins. Exchanging coins and notes for others of equal value. Adding and subtracting using coins, including giving change. Solving 1-step and 2-step word problems. Multiplication and Division - make equal groups, add equal groups and making arrays.</p>
Science 	<p>Habitats - explaining what habitats and microhabitats are. Go on a walk of the school grounds to observe different habitats. Matching animals to their habitats and considering why animals adapt to live in certain places. Forest School</p>	<p>Food Chains and Living, Dead, Never Alive - Describing how animals obtain their food from plants and animals, using the idea of food chains; identify and name sources of food. To recognise whether things are living, dead or have never been alive.</p>

Computing 	Year 2 will be continuing their coding journey from Year 1. Learning how to write programmes, debug programmes and creating their own programmes linked to our Habitats topic.	
D&T 	We will create a free- standing structure. The children will design, make and evaluate a bridge to help Max cross the road.	We will create a Christmas decoration during our seasonal celebrations.
Art 	We will create the image of a hedgehog creating a variety of textures using different sketching skills. We will mix colours to create different shades of brown to complete a printed piece.	Brush skills, holding and using a paintbrush correctly, using different brush strokes; dab, smooth, wash, sponge, stipple and stroke.
Geography 	The United Kingdom and Map Skills, countries of the UK and their capital cities Naming the 5 oceans and the 7 continents. Within the context of The Hedgehog, we will learn how to sketch maps, use directional language, create and use a key. We will also consolidate our understanding of where the United Kingdom is within our world. A small study of a non-European country - Kenya.	
History 		Remembrance How have the Wars changed Britain? The significance of the poppy flower. Flanders Field.
PE 	Indoor PE - Multi skills (Monday) Outdoor PE - Tennis (Thursday)	Indoor PE - Dance - animals in Africa (Monday) Outdoor PE - Ball Skills dribbling and kicking (Thursday)
RE 	Christianity Being kind to people. Can you be kind all of the time? How do Christians be kind in their everyday life?	Christianity Believing Why do Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world?
Music 	Singing familiar songs, controlling the pitch and volume of the voice. Warming up exercises, keeping to a steady beat. Learning to use simple percussion instruments.	

Inspiration Days

Kenya inspiration day. Forest school mornings (see your class dates on Parent Mail).

Reminders

Reading: At Westfield, we are keen to encourage the children to read at home. Please try to read at least 3 times a week at home and ensure there is a record of this reading in your child's journal. Reading **to your child** is equally important, so please share special books and stories with them.

Yours sincerely,

The Year 2 Team



I hope you have a super year at Westfield.

Remember:

- We are BRAVE
- Every day we try our BEST
- Stick at it we are RESILIENT
- Trust us we are caring and RESPECTFUL
- Yes, we are a TEAM

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