Year 2 Newsletter

Spring 2—2025/2026

Notices and Reminders

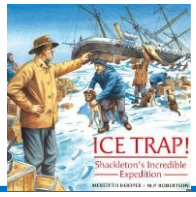
- Remember PE is on Friday, and children should wear a full PE kit and all jewellery should be removed.
- Reading books and reading diaries should be in school every day.
- Library day – Monday

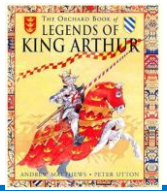
Key dates

- 13th February - Last day of Spring term 1.
- 23rd February - First day of Spring Term 2
- 5th March - World Book Day
- 17th - 23rd March - Book Fair.
- 27th March - Last day of term.
- 13th April - First Day of Summer Term 1

Reading

This half term, the children will finish reading 'Ice Trap', where they have been learning about the expedition of Sir Ernest Shackleton, which has really brought the geography topic of Antarctica to life! After that, they will begin delving into The Legends of King Arthur and learning the stories of his trials and tribulations.





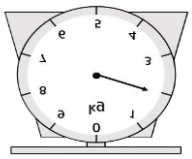
Writing

Throughout this half term in English language lessons, the children will be learning about a range of conjunctions they can use to extend their writing. They will also be learning about expanded noun phrases to improve their descriptive writing.

The children will plan and write a 'rags to riches tale' about Pirate Tom. Pirate Tom will go on an exciting adventure in search of treasure, but will Pirate Tom succeed?

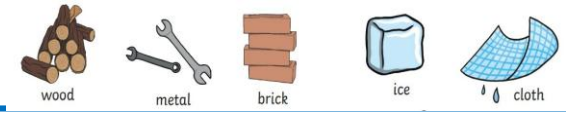
Maths

This half term, the children will first be focussing on multiplication and division (2, 5, and 10). They will then be exploring the heights and lengths of different objects in metres and centimetres, as well as comparing volume and capacity, measuring in grams, kilograms, millilitres, and litres.



Science

In science, the children will be learning about materials and their properties, exploring their suitability for different objects. They will discover the difference between opaque and translucent materials and answer the Big Question: *Which colour is the least translucent?* by conducting a fair test.



Geography

In geography, the children will be continuing their Antarctica topic. They will be learning who has explored Antarctica and finish the topic by completing a fieldwork enquiry on how the climate of our local area is similar or different to the climate in Antarctica.

RE

In RE, the children will be learning about light as a symbol. They will study the meaning and use of light across multiple religions including Christianity, Judaism, Islam and Hinduism. In doing this, they will work to answer the question; 'Why is light an important religious symbol?

PE

This term, the children will be learning the basics of tennis. They will practise striking the ball, using simple forehand and backhand shots, and work with a partner to keep a rally going. They will explore how to move into a space, aim their shots, and play cooperatively.

Music

This half term in music, the children will explore pulse, rhythm and pitch through listening, singing, playing and composing. They will keep a steady beat and recognise different rhythms and pitch. They will listen to a range of styles from soul to rock and pop, and build their confidence as performers, finishing with a mini classroom performance.

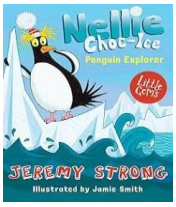
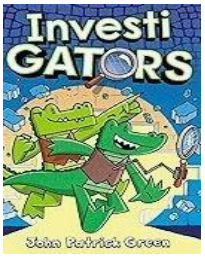
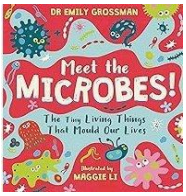
PSHE

This half term in PSHE, the children will learn about what helps them to stay safe. They will identify what helps them to stay safe at school and outside, including on roads. They will explore what risks exist in different places, what signs help to keep them safe and how they can be safe In the sun.

Homework

Reading – Daily

Times Tables Rock Stars – 3 times per week for 10 minutes

Suggested books for reading

Nellie Choc-Ice Penguin Emperor by Jeremy Strong, Investigators by John Patrick Green and Meet the Microbes by Dr Emily Crossman.