

Year 2 Newsletter



Summer Term

Our topic this half term is: The Great Outdoors

The focus of this topic is to ensure a smooth transition from the Infant School to the Junior School for the Y2 children. We are planning many exciting activities with the Junior School, for example, a reading picnic with the Y3 children, a sports afternoon with the Y5 children and many opportunities to meet with their new teacher. Please look out for notices on Tapestry about these.

Below is an outline of what the children will be learning about:

<p><u>English</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WWF Animal Report • Key Text - The Secret Sky Garden by Linda Sarah and Fiona Lumbers • Memories of Burlington Infant and Nursery School • Making simple additions, revisions and proof-reading corrections in our writing 	<p><u>Maths</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop mental strategies to solve addition, subtraction, multiplication and division questions • Using the inverse to check our answers • Money - Make amounts in 3 ways, giving change, finding the difference • Time - tell and write the time to the nearest 5 minutes, time problem solving questions 		<p><u>Science</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WWF - Supporting wildlife and endangered animals • Plants - what do they need to grow and stay healthy? What changes happen as bulbs grow into mature plants? • Healthy Living - the importance of exercise, eating the right amounts of different food types, and hygiene
<p><u>RE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How should we care for others and the world, why does it matter? • Visit to Shree Ghanapathy Temple <p><u>PE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Net and wall games • Athletics • Sports Day 	<p><u>Computing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programming quizzes - using a design to create a quiz, changing a design and designing and creating a program. 	<p><u>PSHE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life Cycles in Nature • Growing from Young to Old • The Changing Me • Boys' and Girls' bodies • Assertiveness • Looking Ahead 	<p><u>Art and Design</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sculpture - Exploring the medium of wire to create and form shapes to represent their ideas. • The children will design, make and evaluate a wire sculpture inspired by artist, Celia Smith.

How you can help:

- Practise telling the time - o'clock, half past, quarter to/past, minutes past and to the hour, time problem solving e.g. If a TV programme starts at 6.30pm and lasts for 15 minutes, what time will it finish at?
- Share your memories of being at school. Share positive stories with your child from when they moved from Nursery to Reception, Reception to Year 1, Year 1 to Year 2.
- Encourage your child to become more independent and take responsibility for a task at home e.g watering the plants, sorting the laundry, feeding the pets. The children are enjoying having more responsibilities at school!

Dates for your diary:

- Week beginning 3rd June: WWF Week, learning about endangered animals. On Thursday 6th we will hold our Copper Mile fundraiser.
- Tuesday 18th June: Choir children and Jupiter to Shree Ghanapathy Temple
- Wednesday 19th June: Saturn, Mercury and Venus to Shree Ghanapathy Temple. Choir to Rose Theatre.
- Friday 21st June: 8.50-9.10am, KS1 Reading Morning. PTA Mufti Day - children wear non-uniform clothes to school and bring a new or nearly new toy for the summer fair toy tombola.
- Week beginning 24th June: Healthy Living Week (more details to follow)
- Wednesday 26th June: Sports Day
- Friday 5th July: PTA Mufti Day - children wear non-uniform clothes to school and bring a homemade or shop bought cake for the summer fair cake stall.
- Saturday 6th July: PTA Summer Fair, Colour Run 11am-2pm.
- Tuesday 16th July: Y2 Holiday Day
- Thursday 11th July: Early closure 1.45pm for Parent Consultations (if required)
- Wednesday 17th July: Y2 Burlington's Got Talent Performance
- Thursday 18th July: Y2 Party Day
- Monday 22nd July:
9.10am: Saturn Class Leavers' Assembly
2pm: Jupiter Class Leavers' Assembly
- Tuesday 23rd July:
9.10am: Venus Class Leavers' Assembly
2pm: Mercury Class Leavers' Assembly
- Wednesday 24th July: Last day, close at 1.45pm

Thank you for your continued support this year. We have appreciated all of your efforts and comments throughout the year.

Many thanks, Year 2 team