

Simone Class, Autumn 2 Curriculum Newsletter

This term Year 2 children will be learning about and exploring the following areas:

Writing

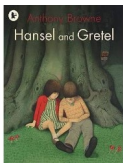
The writing genres we will cover this term are:

- characterisation
- observational poetry

Across the term we will be developing our use of similes and powerful adjectives and learning to identify and use expanded noun phrases and adverbs in our writing.

Reading

For our BIG READ this term we will be looking at Hansel and Gretel by Anthony Browne'.



We will be developing skills of prediction, inference, making connections and looking closely at emotive language.

Spelling

Spelling is going to be a big focus of this term. Please can you ensure that spelling is being practiced at home, weekly. Please use sounding out to support this.

Simone Class will have their weekly spelling challenge on a **Monday afternoon**.

Music

Year 2 will continue to have music lessons with Lisa every Thursday afternoon in addition to Wednesday's singing assembly.

RE

This half term children will be learning about Hanukkah.

History

This term, children will complete their unit on the Victorians. As a closing experience, we would like children to dress up as a Victorian child on Monday 8th November as they will be attending 'Victorian School'.

By week three will move on to our new unit: The Great Fire of London.

Spanish

Spanish will continue to be taught on Tuesdays by

ICT

This term, we will continue to learn about Online safety and creating a balance in our use of technology.

Maths



This term we will be:

- Revisiting number fact families.
- Using and comparing number sentences.
- Learning our number bonds to 100 (using 10s and 1s).
- Using addition and subtraction using 1s and 10s.
- Crossing ten in addition and subtraction
- Adding and subtracting with two digit numbers
- Finding and making number bonds.
- Adding three 1 digit numbers together.

Number bonds are a very important aspect of mathematics. Extra time is devoted to this to ensure children become fluent. Please practice these at home or when out walking to help chil-

Science

Our topic this term is Plants. We will learn how to observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. We will also find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy. We will be using the school garden as much as possible to support our learning.



PSHE

We will continue our work on Mental well-being and exploring our feelings and how we manage them.

PE

This term we will be learning some gymnastic skills every Wednesday. Please make sure to wear sensible leg-wear—tracksuit or leggings. Please also ensure children wear sensible shoes to school in order to be able to participate in the daily mile.

Homework

Homework will continue to be sent home weekly and will include two reading books, writing task, some spellings

and a mathematical challenge to be handed in on Wednesday.

Please encourage a minimum of 15 minutes reading a day and please ensure the spelling is practiced weekly.

Don't forget Simone Class Assembly on Tuesday 9th November at 2.40pm.