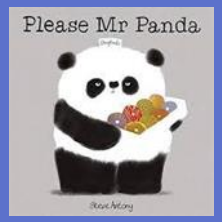
Year 2 Autumn 2 2026

This half term our text drivers are:





English

Writing

Our topic this half term is 'Food, Glorious Food'. Children will be writing a story based on one they have read, changing characters and smaller details. They will also be looking at poetry, considering the effective of vocabulary and rhyme. Towards the end of the half term, they will be writing instructions for a Christmas cake.

Reading

The children will be reading books closely matched to their phonic reading ability with the aim of increasing fluency, confidence and a love of reading. We will be developing our comprehension skills to be able to talk about the books we read. Children needing a little extra help with phonics and reading will be supported through targeted interventions.

Maths

We will be concentrating on addition and subtraction strategies. 2 digit and single digit numbers and 2 digit and multiples of 10.
We will begin to look at multiplication being represented as equal groups.
Children will learn about measurement of time and we will also have a focus on shape.

Science

We will be considering healthy eating and healthy living. Children will know the importance of exercise and a healthy diet.
We will also start our planting cycle specifically looking at bulbs and their growing patterns. We will also be linking with DT to think about materials and investigating why certain materials are used for certain objects. finding out the best material to use when making a box to hold a Christmas cake.

RE

We will be thinking about angels. The children will communicating their own ideas about angels through pictures and discussion. We will be thinking about situations when people might like to see angels. Then applying the concept of angels to the bible, thinking about which bible stories they appear and in. We will be evaluating the role and importance of angels to Christian people.

Art

In Art we will exploring the use of pattern and we'll be learning about artists who use pattern in their artwork: Cath Kidston, Gustav Klimt and Orla Keily. We'll produce our own artwork in the style of these artists and apply our patterns to Christmas packaging.

DT

Children will design a healthier alternative to Mr Panda's doughnuts. They will then design and make their own Christmas Cakes and packaging for them (boxes or a gift bag)

Computing

In this unit, children will be using a computer to create music. They will listen to a variety of pieces of music and consider how music can make them think and feel. Children will compare creating music digitally and non-digitally. They will look at patterns and purposefully create music.

PSHE

We will be continuing to use our Heart Smart programme with the children. The theme this half term is 'Don't forget to let love in'. This unit focuses on themselves as a 'unique' individual and how to deal with feelings and personal wellbeing. We will also be celebrating ourselves and our special strengths in My Happy Mind.

PE

The children will be learning a selection of invasion games in PE this half term. They'll also be working on FMS and core balance.

Music

The children will undertake a unit of work called 'Christmas is coming' which will focus on pitch and duration. They will also have plenty of opportunities for singing during our Christmas performance.