Hoad Curriculum Letter Spring 1 24- Year 2

Literacy

We will be using the text Grandpa's Gift to consolidate our knowledge of writing sentences using different connectives to link our ideas and adding detail to make our writing more interesting. We will explore more challenging vocabulary and try to include this in our writing.

Spellings will come out on Mondays and there will usually be a Spelling Challenge on Fridays. As with previous terms we will learn different spelling patterns alongside suffixes and the Common Exception Words Year 2's are expected to know by the end of July. Please use the Look, Cover, Say, Write, Check method to help your child learn their spellings. If we have learnt any mnemonics for particular spellings, I will write them on the sheet.

Maths

After completing our unit on addition and subtraction strategies we will explore 2D and 3D shape. We will learn new vocabulary to describe and classify shapes and make patterns before moving on to a Money unit learning about coins, notes, making amounts and finding totals.

<u>Science</u>

We will be Thinking Scientifically for the first part of this term; using the knowledge we learnt about different materials, to design and undertake a Fair Test to help find a material with which to make Teddy a suitable umbrella. As part of our Cold Places topic we will think about how different animals adapt to their environments and explore animal classification.

History and Geography

Our Cold Places unit explores the polar regions of our planet and the lives of historical and more recent explorations of these regions such as Sir Walter Scott and Matthew Henson. We have borrowed a Blue Box from the Cumbria library Service to help us to have 'hands on 'experience with historical artefacts.

RE

Our unit for this half term explores the everyday life of people in Israel at the time of Jesus.

PSHCEE

We will be following a unit based on how to be a member of a wider community and then move on to learning more about digital resilience and safety.

Art and DT

After completing the construction and evaluation of our fire engines we will look at some famous 'Winter' pictures such as Bruegel's 'The Hunters in the Snow' and Hokusai's 'Tea House at Koishikawa the Morning After a Snowfall' and make our own using different mediums.

Music

We will listen to, and learn the song 'I Wanna Play in a Band' by Joanna Mangona. We will compare and contrast this with other songs and create our own class composition using a variety of instruments.

Computing

In computing we will be learning how to use the internet to complete safe searches.

<u>PE</u>

Our dance unit this half term is entitled 'Wintertime'.

Hoad children will be working with Brad from HP Activities this half term to develop sending and receiving ball skills and how to use these in different games.

Please note our PE day for this Half Term is Wednesday. Please can earrings be removed or covered for these days and long hair be tied up. Thank you.