



English

This term, we will continue to develop imaginative writing. We will be investigating different tenses and looking at how to proofread work. The girls will be encouraged to use a dictionary to check for meaning and spelling and to consolidate their knowledge of alphabetical order. It would be useful for them to have access to a Children's dictionary at home. We will also use information books to research our topic work. Usually, spelling words will be given on a Monday for a test on Friday. Many of the girls are now reading fluently and are choosing longer, chapter books. These books should be changed as regularly as necessary.

Maths

We will consolidate work on numbers into the hundreds. We will continue to build on number skills; number bonds to 10 and 20, quick recall. Other topics will include: 3D shapes, symmetry, adding/subtracting by 9, 11 and 19, block graphs, time, quarter turns (right angles), multiplication and division. Some of the work we will be doing will focus on the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. We will be investigating division as the inverse operation of multiplication. Do encourage your daughter to share out cakes or pizzas at home to reinforce this concept. Girls should practise counting in 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s and 10s.



Science

This term, we will look at Electricity and Materials. We continue to use practical activities to develop our understanding of concepts. We will also carry on developing our recording skills, categorising (materials) and look at how to build simple circuits.

ICT

In our ICT lessons the girls will learn to create pictures. We will use a variety of tools to create colour and correct our pictures. We will also begin to use the internet to locate information for researching and supporting various curriculum subjects.



Topic

Our theme for this term is Transport. We will learn about the history behind particular forms of transport and look at a selection of pioneering figures. Some Art and English lessons will be linked to our topic work. (Please see 'General Information' for dates regarding the class trip.)



ART and DT

Our Design Technology activity is related to our topic study of Transport. We will investigate, design and make wheeled vehicles.

In Art, we will be looking at movement, colour and form and we will be studying a variety of artists ranging from Keith Haring to Van Gogh.



RE

This term the themes include 'Stories' and 'Leaders and Teachers'. Building on prior knowledge of traditional tales, (covered in literacy during the Autumn term), children will be encouraged to look for meanings and morals, relating them to their own experiences. They will explore the qualities of good leadership and understand its importance and function both in the secular world and across the major World Religions.

General Information

The Year 2 Class Trip to the Transport Museum, Covent Garden, will be on Thursday 22nd March 2012.

Homework - English and Mathematics: A short task will be given out once a week (usually on a Monday, due in that Friday).

Spellings: Given out on a Monday, spelling test on Friday.

PE lessons: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Music: Monday (Recorders) and Thursday.

Period of availability:

Year 2: Friday between 9.50 - 10.20 am.

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