



# Year 2 – Summer Term

Well...here we are, the last term of the year! I hope you all had a wonderful break and got the chance to enjoy a little sunshine and warmer weather! This half-term is going to be fantastic, we have lots of exciting events planned both in Key Stage 1 and as a whole school, including our amazing trip to Lytham. We look forward to inviting you into school again soon for a singing performance. This term is always a really busy one, so please keep an eye on the school website for lots of photographs and information about what we get up to.

## Important Dates:

- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April: SCARF Workshop
- Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April: Rock Kidz
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May: Bank Holiday
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May - Key Stage 1 and EYFS singing performance
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – KS1 trip to Lytha,
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May: HALF TERM
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June: Ambitions Class Photos
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June: Sports Week
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June: RSE Parents Meeting
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July: Transition Day
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July: Last day of Term
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July: Staff Inset

## Phonics

In phonics we are consolidating our Phase 5 learning the following graphemes -  
- ay (day) ou (out) ie (tie) ea (east) oy (boy) ir (girl) ue (blue) aw (saw) wh (when) ph (photo) ew (new) oe (toe) au (Paul) Split digraphs a-e (make) e-e(these) i-e (like) o-e (home) u-e (rule)

## English

In English this half term we will be writing a range of different text types. As we will be continuing our topic about the seaside we will be writing persuasive holiday brochures to urge people to visit Lytham. We will also be using the seaside as inspiration for some poetry that we will be performing for the rest of the school in assembly.

We will be writing twisted tails of famous stories by reading books from the wolf's perspective in Little Red Riding Hood and from the pea's point of view in the story The Princess and the Pea. This will give children the opportunity to showcase all they have learned in Year 2, writing correctly punctuated sentences that use a range of descriptive noun phrases and conjunctions to add detail to sentences.

## Reading

This half term we will be reading Roald Dahl's Matilda as our class novel, as the children enjoyed the BFG so much. We will be continuing our daily poem from our poetry anthology and learning to recite our favourite poem too! In whole class guided reading we will be reading 'The Dragon in the Library' where we will be learning skills of inference, prediction and retrieval.

### Maths

Our focus this half term will be number. We will be using our knowledge of place value to complete addition and subtraction calculations using Base 10 and 10s and 1s counters to support us. We will then apply our knowledge to a variety of problem solving and reasoning questions. We will also improve our understanding of measures of both time and distance, and use this to support our PE lessons. For example, we will measure how fast we can run and how far we can throw.

### Science

This half term we will be investigating 'Living things and their habitats'. Our focus will be habitats in our school grounds and local community. We will be learning about the different living things that have made their home in the school grounds and how they all depend on each other in food chains and micro-habitats.

### RE

In RE, we will be learning about Judaism. We will be discussing the 10 commandments and what they mean to Jews. We will be learning about the Sabbath day and the rituals involved in keeping the Sabbath sacred.

### PSHE

This half term our topic will be 'Growing and Changing'. We will be discussing secrets and who we can talk to when we feel uncomfortable about a secret. We will be learning about bodies and discussing which parts are kept private.

### Music

In music we will be creating our own compositions using ocarinas and untuned percussion instruments to accompany the song 'Oh I do like to be beside the seaside'.

### Topic

This half term we will be continuing to learn about holidays of the past. During our trip to Lytham we will be looking at both human and physical features and comparing them to the Tokyo on Japan, discussing as a class the similarities and differences. We will also be using the sights from Lytham St Anne's to discover what past holidays were like, using our first-hand experience from our trip and also using sources such as postcards photographs and artefacts to draw historical conclusions about how holidays have changed.



### DT

Our focus will in DT will be food. We will be designing and making a 'Great British Seaside Picnic', using both sweet and savoury ingredients to create a picnic perfect for a visit to the beach!

### Computing

In computing we will be focusing on Coding. We will be using an app called Tynker, to write and debug simple algorithms linked to the game 'Minecraft'. We will be programming different code to create different characters and environments.

### PE

This half term the focus on PE will be athletic as we prepare for the Sports Day later in the term. We will be learning and developing our technique in running, jumping and throwing.