Year 2

Learning Overview

Autumn 2 2026

English

- Poetry – explore features and write own firework and Christmas poem
- Narrative – explore features and write own narrative based on 'My Christmas Star' BBC animated advert
- Begin to join clusters of letters in handwriting
- Learn spelling patterns and apply them to our writing

End of Term Spelling Assessment

Science

Animals needs for survival

- Mammals
- Birds
- Fish
- Amphibians
- Reptiles
- Humans

Maths

Addition and Subtraction

- Addition – add tens and ones, add three 1-digit numbers, add to the next ten, add across ten, add two 2-digit numbers,
- Subtraction – subtract tens and ones, subtract from a ten, subtract across ten, subtract two 2-digit numbers
- Comparisons – mixed addition and subtraction, ten more/ten less, compare number sentences, missing number problems

Shape

- 2D shape – recognise, name, sides, vertices, symmetry, sort, make pictures

End of Term Assessment

History

Events beyond living memory

- What was World War 2, comparing ways of life then and now
- Remembrance

Significant Individuals (linked to Geography)

- Life of Ernest Shackleton

Music

- Christmas class assembly – singing performance

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Textiles

- Exploring what makes a good bag
- Design a gift bag
- Practise using overstitch to make a bag
- Make bag using felt and overstitching
- Evaluate bag – what went well and what would you change for next time

Art

- Make Christmas card using Brusho warm colours and collage techniques

Computing

The Internet

- Know how the internet, the World Wide Web and a browser work together
- Look at different types of hardware
- Use a school website to find information.
- To understand the difference between a browser and a search engine, and to practise searching for information safely.

Creating Pictures

- Create digital art in an Impressionist style.
- Create digital art in a Pointillism style.
- Create digital art in the style of Mondrian.
- Create digital art patterns in the style of the William Morris.

RE

- Why is giving important to Christians?
- Collection for Horley Foodbank
- The Christmas Journey

PSHE

- Firework Safety
- Jigsaw – celebrating difference
- Zones of regulation

PE

- Ball Skills – sending, catching, dribbling, roll, track, dribble with feet, kick, throw, catch, dribble with hands.
- Yoga – balance, flexibility, strength, co-ordination, breathing

Geography

- Cold Places – What is it like at the North and South Poles
- Locate cold places
- Living in the Artic
- Living in the Antarctic
- Comparing Polar Regions with where I live