



Year 2 Newsletter Autumn 1—2019/2020

This half term's topic is: Wriggle and Crawl

Adults in year 2: Mrs Little, Mrs Burton, Mrs Smith, Miss Hutchinson and Mr Wilkie.

In **English** we will be focussing on:

- Writing our own stories based on our core text—The Cranky Caterpillar.
- Practising writing sentences using a variety of punctuation.
- Exploring a range of information texts.
- Writing our own information texts about mini-beasts.

In **R.E.** The children will be learning and retelling The Creation story. Our Key Question is 'Who created the world?'

In **Music** we will be learning about South African music. We will be thinking about the dimensions of music such as pulse, rhythm and pitch.

In **Computing**, the children will be learning how to code simple programs.

This half term, **P.E.** will be on a **Wednesday morning (indoor) and Friday afternoon (outside)**. This half term, the topics are dance and fundamentals. Please can you ensure your child's P.E kit is in school for these days. Including appropriate footwear.

In **Maths** we will be focussing on:

- Place value — counting to 100 through different steps, comparing numbers, number patterns and number bonds to 100.
- Addition and subtraction— simple adding and taking away with and without renaming.
- Beginning to learn our times tables—2, 5 and 10 times tables.

In **Topic** we will:

- Be using simple equipment to measure and make observations of mini-beasts.
- Learn about different habitats.
- Explore the life-cycles of different animals and food chains.
- In Art, we will be concentrating on making observational drawings of mini-beasts.
- In Geography, we will be creating maps with keys of the local area.

Key Information

Reading books – Some children will continue to bring a phonics book home and most children will also have an Accelerated Reader book (more information to follow).

In order for your child to be heard read by an adult in school.

It is essential that books remain in your child's reading folder and are brought into school every day.

Please write a brief comment in your child's Reading Record book each week prior to their book change day.

Homework will be given out on a Friday and be due back the following Thursday.

If you have any queries or concerns please speak to your child's class teacher.