



Thursday 16th January 2020

Year 2 Spring Term Curriculum Overview

Dear Parents/Carers,

This half term our topic is called 'Amazing Arctic!' - We are going to put on our thick winter coats and explore the Arctic! We are also going to research different British explorers and see how their discoveries have helped the world develop. We will continue with our science topic; 'Living things and their habitats', where we will look at food chains, predators and different types of prey. The children will go on to produce presentations to show the rest of the class, based on research that they did last half term.

Curriculum coverage:

Numeracy

- ✓ **Mental Maths**
 - Revise 10x and 2x
 - Learn 5x
 - Continue to practice mental arithmetic (all operations)
- ✓ **Number and Place Value**
 - Read, write, compare and order numbers correctly
 - Doubling and Halving
 - Number bonds to 10
- ✓ **Statistics**
 - Investigate charts and tables
 - Use and interpret pictograms

Literacy

- ✓ **Punctuation**
 - Full stops consistently
 - Capital letters consistently for names and dates etc.
 - Question marks
 - Exclamation marks for effect
 - Commas to break sentences and in lists
- ✓ **Sentence structure**
 - Use a range of conjunctions.
 - Increase legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting
 - Sentence openers
 - Adjectives to describe



Topic/science-

James Clark Ross - British Arctic explorer

What would it have been like to travel on his voyage? What did they use to record what they saw? What parts of the journey would you enjoy or dislike and why?

Animals and their habitats - What makes the perfect habitat? Why are some habitats being destroyed? Which habitats can we see around school grounds?

Reading - Children are expected to read at home for 10 minutes at least 3 times a week and it is in your child's best interests to do so. We are reading with all children during the week and their book reading/change day is in the front of their orange books.

Spellings - New spellings will be set every Friday and there is a spellings activity sent home too, to aid the learning of spellings (not compulsory). Spelling groups may change at the end of the half term after a baseline test.

TT Rockstars - Our class are having great success with TT rockstars and it is showing a huge improvement in their times tables. We check to see which children have been active at the end of the week and celebrate successes in class and also celebrated in assembly.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to speak to me or email me via the year2 email address, and I will reply back to you as soon as possible.

Kind Regards,

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