

### Music

Music this year will be taught through QLOL music service. This term, children will use reggae music to help them learn about beats, written notation and composing their own music.

### French

French this year will be taught by an outside provider. The focus areas of learning this term will be: all about travel and holidays.

### Art/DT

During the first half term, we'll develop our use of line and mark making by studying the artist Rosalind Monks. We will then create our own minibeast artwork in her style.

### Forest Schools

We are lucky enough to be continuing a mini version of the forest schools program introduced by Mrs Brizzolara last term. Children will still wear school uniform but they will need a change of footwear (wellies or trainers that can get wet/muddy) and a weather appropriate coat.

Miss Young- Monday

Mrs Taylor- Thursday.

I hope you find this information to be useful. If you have any queries or problems, do not hesitate to contact us. I hope to see you in or around school soon.

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## Year 2 Curriculum Matters

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede: Lent Term 2021-22



Mrs Taylor, Miss Young- Class Teachers  
Miss Blandford, Miss Roebuck and Mrs Berry- Class TAs

## Happy New year!

Dear Parents/Careers,

I hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas break and enjoyed spending the time with your children.

As always, if you have any concerns about your child, please feel free to contact or visit me; I'm always happy to help you. The best way to do this is through Class Dojo.

In this Curriculum Matters booklet, you'll find a summary of the main areas of study this term, which I hope you will find useful. If you, a family member or friend could help in anyway with our learning, do not hesitate to contact me.

## Homework



Homework will be given out on a Friday and is to be returned to school on the following Wednesday. Homework will consist of a Maths and English, Reading Journals as well as a weekly Spelling List. Please continue to hear your child read, if possible for 10 minutes a day. Thank you in advance for supporting your child with their homework.

For those children who are still using phonics as their core method for reading it is essential that you access the Little Wandle reading practice ebooks at home. These support the children's reading in class and consolidates their phonic knowledge.



For more information please visit: <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

## RE

This term, our Come & See topics are:

- Books— . Investigating the books used in Church on Sunday by the parish community.
- Thanksgiving—learning about different ways to say thank you and how the parish family thanks God for Jesus
- Opportunities -.Finding out about Lent, and the opportunity to turn towards what is good in preparation for Easter.



## Maths

The following aspects of mathematics will be covered this term: Properties of shape, money, multiplication and division. .

Within each unit, children will develop their Fluency, Reasoning and then Problem Solving skills as we endeavor to deepen children's mathematical understanding.

## English

In English we will focus on writing for enjoyment using 'The Elephant Dance' written by Thersa Heine; We will write to inform by producing a non-chronological reports about the UK.. In Grammar we will focus on developing expanded noun phrases and using adverbs . Our punctuation focus will be to use commas correctly in lists.

## Computing

Our units this term are how to create and use spreadsheets and the importance of accurate questioning when researching.

## Science

In science, children will learn about Plants, We will be learning all about the conditions a plant needs to grow well. We will then move on to focus

on Living things and their habitats. Including micro-habitats and minibeast hunting around school.

## Topic

This half term, our topic is Let's Explore the World. We begin by looking at the United Kingdom and we will use maps to show where all 4 countries are and talk about the features we find in the capital cities. We will also use maps to find surrounding seas and look at different climates within the world and further our knowledge of continents and oceans.

After Half Term, our topic will be 'Land Ahoy' where we'll learn how to research historical figures using famous pirates. We will also further our knowledge of map skills using compass directions and locating different oceans/seas.

## PE

PE this half term children will be doing target games and invasion games.

PE this term will be on a Monday and Tuesday (2RT) and Wednesday and Thursday (2JY) so your child will need to come dressed in their PE kit on these days. Please see our website for further information about our school PE kit.

