



Please make sure children have PE kits in school, including trainers or pumps. PE for Y2 will be on Tuesdays and Fridays, so please leave all jewellery at home. Children should also have a water bottle at school each day, but particularly on PE days.

Sports club will be after school from 3.15 - 4.15pm on Tuesdays in the sports hall.



Trips: Bolsover Castle

Y2 will be visiting Bolsover Castle as part of their topic work. The provisional date is 11.3.16 but we will confirm a.s.a.p.

Homework:

Children should aim to read at least 5 times a week at home, either using 'Bugclub', school reading books or library books. Please make comments in the reading record, so your child can complete the **reading challenge** and receive a certificate in Friday assemblies. Children should also receive spellings each week from their phonics teacher. Please check that your child knows his/her spellings for tests on Mondays. Other homework will usually be sent home on Fridays.

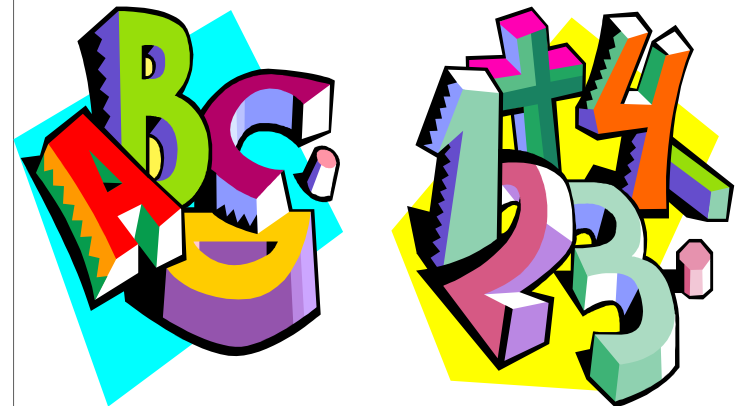
Upcoming dates:

- 21.1.16 Y2 Class Assembly in the Sports Hall
- 22.1.16 Library visit
- 17.2.16 First swimming lesson 1.30pm
- 17.3.16 Easter Day

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Spring Curriculum



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Topic-Castles

This term we will be learning about castles. We will look at why they were built and what the different features were for. We will look at the lives of significant kings and queens and place them on timelines to link with other historical events. We will visit Bolsover Castle to give the children first hand experience.

Science

This term children will be learning about materials. They will learn to name and group materials. They will look at their properties and what they are used for. They will investigate which material is most suitable for a particular use.

Art & DT

Children will be using design and technology skills to build castles. They will plan how it will look and what materials they will use before building.

RE

The children will be learning about the significance of 'Shrove Tuesday' and 'Easter' in Christianity.

PSHE

The children will be starting 'Philosophy For Children' (P4C) thinking about questions that don't have a correct answer. They will learn to ask important questions, give their opinions and respect the ideas of other children.

English

The children are currently reading information texts and learning to find evidence in the text to answer questions. Next, they will be reading and writing biographies about famous kings and queens. After half term they will be learning to follow and write instructions and read and write traditional stories.

Maths

The children are currently working on division and will be moving on to finding fractions of shapes and numbers. They will be applying skills to problem solving activities. They will also be learning to collect, read and interpret data in tables, block graphs and pictograms. In measures, they will be learning to understand and use scales for capacity.

ICT

The children will use the internet to research topic work on castles. They will be taught how to use the internet safely.

They will also explore how computer games work and learn to use and programme 'Scratch'.

Music

The children will be following a new music scheme. They will listen to and appraise different pieces of music, listening carefully for details of vocalists and instruments played. They will sing songs and accompany them with musical instruments. The theme is African music.

PE

In games we will continue to improve ball skills through, throwing, catching, aiming, hitting and kicking.

The gymnastics unit will focus on improving skills on the apparatus.

They will use benches, vaulting tables, bars and a beam. After half term Y2 will be starting swimming lessons.