

## **English**

This half term our topic will be 'Great Journey's' running alongside our class text Zeraffa Giraffa by Dianne Hofmeyr. We will focus on the importance of courage, perseverance and compassion, continuing to build our stamina when writing, using basic punctuation (capitals, commas, full stops, exclamation marks and question marks), using drama and role-play and writing from more than one perspective.

## **Science**

This half term we shall be exploring plants. We shall be observing how plants grow and find out what plants need to grow and stay healthy.

## **Art**

This will be a fabulous topic! The children will be looking at the famous artist Vincent Van Gogh and also Jan Ray. They will be exploring landscapes, still-life and how to develop shading skills for effect.

## **History**

We will be looking closely at the real story behind Zeraffa Giraffa and his journey from Egypt to France, by devising historical questions using simple sources, retelling stories about the past, identifying important changes which happened at the time studied, sorting historical events into time order and finally using more complex phrases to describe time.

## **Computing**

In this unit, we will be learning what algorithms are; how they are implemented as programs on digital devices; and that programs execute by following precise and unambiguous instructions.

## **Design & Technology**

We shall be undertaking an exciting project linked to our class text. The children will have the opportunity to design and make their own transport device. They will build in their design, labelling and creating skills.



# **Year 2 Curriculum Overview**

## **Spring 2**

## **RE**

Over the spring term we shall explore the religion of Judaism. The class will learn about important objects, beliefs and places of importance.

## **Music**

This half term we will be working on story time. How music can tell stories and using instruments to create sounds and different effects.

## **Maths**

In Maths, we will be learning about multiplication and division. We will look at a number of important multiplication and division methods and skills and will gain a more solid understanding of equal groups. We will use the strategy of repeated addition to support with multiplication and the strategy of repeated subtraction to support with division.

## **PE**

We will be working on developing ball skills and counterbalancing this half term. We are going to explore and describe different movements and link movements together to fit a theme.

We shall be showing peers our ideas, as well as using patience and providing support when working with others. We will also be comparing movements and skills with one another.

## **PSHE**

This half term, we will continue to look at dental hygiene, staying clean and medicines.