



Year 2, Term 3

Newsletter

Welcome to Term 3!

The majority of families are now signed up to Class Dojo, which is where you will find this term's homework, newsletters, pictures of the learning and more on the class page. You can also use it to email me if you have any questions or queries that I cannot deal with at drop off or collection.

Usual information

This term, PE is on Monday morning and Thursday afternoons. On Monday's the children should come to school on Mondays and Thursdays in their PE kits. All of our PE sessions this term are indoors in the hall and the focus is gymnastics and apparatus therefore it is preferable if they are bare foot.

We still have a lot of unclaimed clothes being left in the classroom, please make sure that children's clothes are labelled with their names so that we can return lost or misplaced items.

Levelled reading books (Level 18 plus) can be changed by the children on the day they read to me in class. The children are also supported to change their reading books on Friday.

This term my PPA is on a Monday and will be covered by Miss Reed, the afternoon will consist of Reading, Computing and Frome Vale Assembly.

Reading:

All children need to bring their reading book and reading record in to school every day. They will read daily in school and normally once a week to a school adult (sometimes more if we can find the time to squeeze it in or they are on a priority reading list).

It is the school's expectation that children read at least twice every week at home. We recommend 10 minutes every day to really give children the best opportunities to develop their confidence in reading.

Love of Learning:

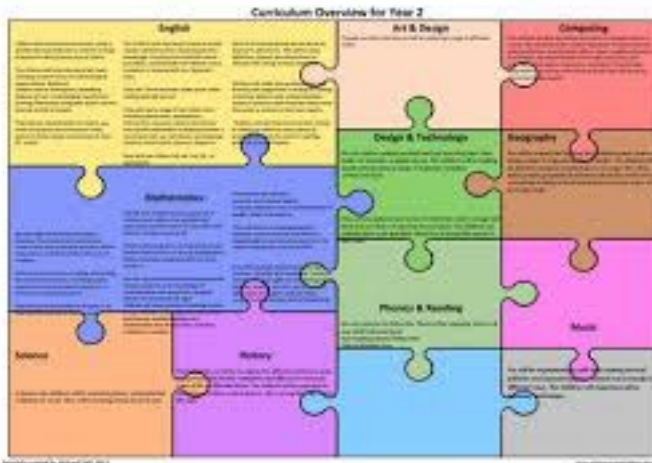
Love of Learning work will be set on a Friday to be returned by the following Thursday. This will include spellings to learn for the following week, some reading comprehension and maths. There is also a selection of optional extras e.g. science, art or topic work.

Here is an overview of what we will be learning this term.

We are Frome Vale Citizens

This term's value is truthfulness and honesty and the learning behaviour is self-evaluation. These are covered in class sessions and whole school assemblies. We also cover safeguarding, hold a discussion on the termly debate question and read our No Outsiders book.

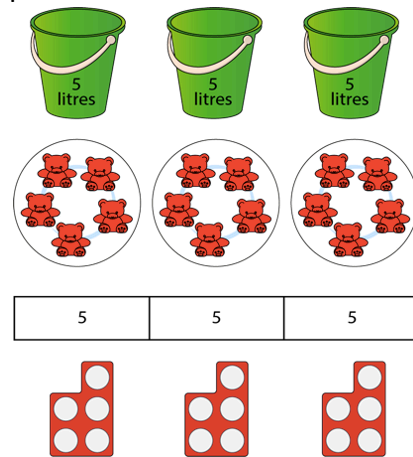
We will continue with our weekly Jigsaw sessions. This term we are learning about Dreams and Goals.



We are mathematicians

The term we are continuing with addition and subtraction strategies, in particular column addition and subtraction with exchanging.

We are also look at comparing number and moving on to multiplication.



We are writers



This term we are reading and writing about Tom's Magnificent Machines. It is an emotional and highly

We are Readers

The children will read their own levelled or decodeable books with an adult in school. Reading comprehension is taught as a whole class most afternoons apart from book club on Fridays, where the children can choose books from the class shelf, the library, topic related books or dive into our large pile of National Geographic Kids and Aquilla magazines.

imaginative book that explores themes of love and support between children and their parents but is also great fun, with incredible inventions, crazy contraptions and a wonderfully inspiring pioneering spirit at its heart. They will be innovating a narrative and writing a set of instructions.

Handwriting, spelling, punctuation and grammar will also be at the heart of our writing sessions. (Year 2 is when we expect the majority of children to start joining their handwriting when their formation and sizing is ready). *If anyone has visited London and would like to send in any photos at London landmarks, we would love to share them. Original photos sent in/emails of digital photos to the year 2 email please.*

We will be reading an end of day text for the children to enjoy a range of stories.

Phonics

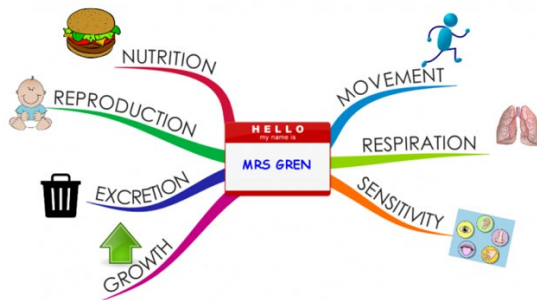
Phonics will continue daily and we will be revising phase 5c phonics sounds with alternative spellings for known sounds.

Spelling:

We are using phonetic spelling rules to support reading and vice versa.

We are scientists

Biology. Living Things, and their environments and habitats.



We are Historians

The World during the Victorian era.

We will be looking at the Crimean War and the legacy of the Florence Nightingale and Mary Seole. The War of Independence in America and the America colonies and the legacy of European Empires.