

P4C

We will be learning about different cultures and perspectives. We will be exploring these through a range of texts and images. This will include discussing our British Values such as tolerance, respect and individual liberty. Can you help us understand what this means at home?



Art

Year 2 will continue to have art lessons this half term with Ms Kate, our specialist art teacher. The children will be exploring artists and art work from Australia linked to our 'Down Under' topic.



Spanish

In Spanish we will be learning about different animals and things in the rainforest linking to our topic. We will also be having lots of fun investigating Peru for Hispanic week. We will be focusing on developing our speaking and listening skills through songs, role play and immersive activities.

PSHCE

Next half term in PSHCE we will be focusing on changes in our lives and ourselves. We will discuss how changes in our lives have impacted us both positively and negatively and how we can best deal with these changes. We will be reading *Changes* by Anthony Browne to help us understand how things change.

Through our Jigsaw lessons, we will also be learning about how we change. We will be learning in an age appropriate way about how our bodies change as we grow and how to treat others respectfully as we get older.

Throughout Summer 2 we will be discussing, reflecting and preparing for the transition into Year 3.

Please Remember...

To label all children's belongings. It will make pairing up children's coats and jumpers much easier!

Outdoor Adventures will be every Monday afternoon. Please provide appropriate footwear for this. We are always looking for and very much appreciate parent helpers. If you can help out please let us know.

PE will continue to be on a Friday at Petchey. This half term we will swim on Wednesdays. Please ensure children have full kit for PE and swimming kit and if you can help out with swimming or PE let us know! :)

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Curriculum Information: Summer 2 Down Under

Year 2

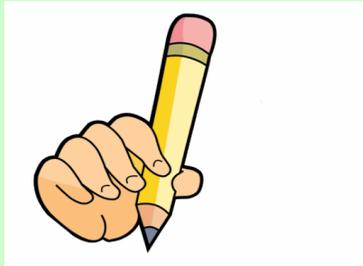


Literacy

Children will continue in their literacy groups reading a variety of texts covering different genres.

This half term we will focus on making sure we can spell all our Year 2 spelling words correctly and build upon our stamina for writing in preparation for Year 3.

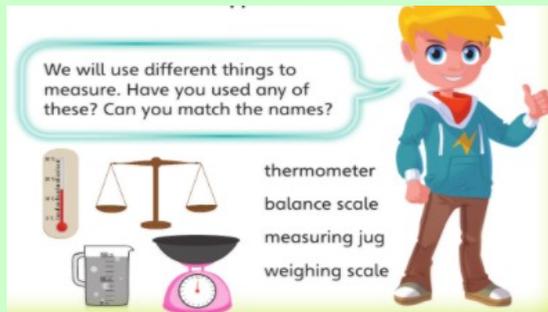
There will be a major focus on handwriting in Summer 2. Please practice handwriting at home and encourage the best possible pencil grip and joining of letters.



Mathematics

We will be exploring position and direction and using key vocabulary. We will describe movement, describe turns and make patterns by turning shapes.

We will also be exploring weight, volume and temperature. In this unit we will compare and measure mass, compare and measure volume, measure temperature and read a thermometer.



Topic

Our topic will be 'Down Under'. This will be based on the differences between Australia and the United Kingdom. In science, we will be exploring habitats in Australia and the United Kingdom and comparing their similarities and differences.

In geography, we will be exploring the differences between physical and human features in the United Kingdom and Australia. This will focus on Dartmoor and the Daintree rainforest.



Religious Education

In RE we will be learning about Buddhism and specifically Wesak. We will be learning what this festival means to Buddhist people and the different ways it can be commemorated.



How can you help me at home?

Please bring your Accelerated Reading book in every day. Tests will be carried out every Tuesday. It is vital that your book is brought in every day so you are prepared for the weekly test.

Please remember to log on to Maths Whizz each week, you are aiming for 3 progressions per week!

Physical Education

In PE we will be building skills in throwing, catching, fielding and striking. Over the course of the half term we will use these skills to play team games, with a focus on cricket and rounders.

PE will take place on Fridays so please ensure children have full kit.