

## Spanish

In Spanish we have been learning how to introduce ourselves, say how old we are and express how we are feeling.

This term we will be learning to count to 40, say the days of the week and when our birthdays are.

We practise our Spanish everyday and use it around the school. Please ask us to teach you what we have learned!

## Religious Education

For religious education this term we will be learning more about Sikkim and Guru Nanak.

This will be building on our learning from Autumn 1 when we learnt about special religious books.

## Reminders

PE continues to be on Tuesday and Friday Children can come to school in their PE kits.

The children have been enjoying taking their Accelerated Reader quizzes and exploring all our library has to offer. Please make sure your children are bringing their bags in everyday to ensure all paper communications make it home!

We ask that children read everyday in preparation for their weekly AR reading comprehension alongside other books like their *RWI* home readers.

## Outdoor Adventures

Outdoor Adventures will continue to be every **Wednesday** afternoon.

So that we can go to Outdoor Adventures each week we do require parent volunteers. Please sign up in the office or speak to either class teacher. Thank you to our parents who helped in Autumn 1, you are amazing!

Remember we go to Outdoor Adventures in **all weather**. Your child will need wellington boots, their school coat, a hat and scarf for this half term.

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Autumn 2

Year 2

*The Vicious  
Vikings*



## Literacy

Spelling will be posted on Purple Mash and there will be a dictation quiz on Tuesday. Please practise spellings with your child in a variety of ways as suggested on the bottom of the sheet. Please encourage your child to not just practise the spellings but to use them in stories and sentences. Evidence shows that children will remember their learning better if part of a narrative or used in context!

Children will be continuing in their RWI groups with Ms Katie, Ms Ashley, Ms Lola and Ms Syms. Children will also continue to explore different writing styles and developing their grammatical understanding. In literacy. There will be an emphasis on independent and creative writing. Children will be reading a variety of different text types, from non fiction to poetry and many more, and learning to make connections between known and new texts. As well as reading for pleasure and enjoyment, children will use their reading skills to support their writing.

Please support your child to read to daily, for at least 25 minutes. Every child will continue to receive an Accelerated Reader banded book on which they will take a comprehension test each week. Please ensure these books come into school every day.

## Mathematics

This term we will be continuing to solve two digit addition and subtraction equations. We will continue our focus on understanding which strategies we use to solve different problems and how we know which strategy is the most appropriate.

We will be exploring the value of coins and solving problems to do with money. We will be using different combinations of coins to make the same amount and calculating change.

Children will begin to explore multiplication and division. Children will be counting in groups of 2,3,5 and 10. Emphasis will be placed on children understanding that the multiplication symbol means 'groups of' the concept of division as grouping and sharing.

You can support this at home by encouraging your child to count forwards and backwards in twos, threes, fives and tens from any number. Please support your child to explain and show their methods and solve the same problem using more than one strategy.

## Physical Education

PE will continue to be taught by Coach Abdou. This term Year 2 are focusing on Hockey and team games

PE days for next half term are **Tuesday** and **Friday**. Please make sure your child has correct PE kit and suitable shoes. If your child is wearing trainers, please encourage them to tie their own laces.

## Topic

This term we still be studying our new topic 'Vicious Vikings'. We will be discovering about life as a Viking voyager and settler. We will be investigating Viking armour, gods and traditions.

In science, we are going to be testing materials to determine their properties. We will be building our own strong waterproof Viking Longboats and testing their suitability on the water!



### ***How can you help me at home?***

Daily reading for 25 minutes each day. Each week your child will get a banded book to take home at their reading level. Please ask children questions and discuss the story to support their comprehension. In addition please ensure you are reading to your child regularly from texts beyond their independent reading level. This exposes them to higher level vocabulary and language structures.