

The Bellbird Primary School 'Soaring to Success'

Year 2 Autumn Term 1

PE:

Indoor PE for both classes will take place on a Monday afternoon. Outdoor PE will take place on a Wednesday afternoon.

Please ensure your child comes into school wearing suitable PE kit and footwear.

Art and DT:

Art will usually be linked to topic work. Children will learn how to mix primary colours to make secondary colours and they will be creating shades of colour using a range of art media.

Children will be developing their observational drawing skills by drawing tropical fruits.

In DT, children will be learning about the importance of hygiene and will be evaluating designs.

RE:

Children will be learning about Christianity. They will be listening to and telling stories from the Bible and they will be introduced to the concept of 'Gospel' or good news. Miss Bush will be delivering RE to both classes.

PSHE:

Our PSHE work focuses on beginning and belonging. The children will be considering what it is like to be in a new situation, how to cope with that and they will develop strategies for new arrivals in school.

Topic:

HEREWE

RE

OLIVER JEFFERS

Our topic this term takes us to the Caribbean! We will be locating and naming continents and oceans before we explore and compare the island of Jamaica with the UK. The children will research information about Jamaica using maps, books and the internet.

Торіс

Over the Sea and Far Away

Goldfinches:	<u>Skylarks:</u>
Mrs Hines	Miss Davies
Miss Bush	Mrs Foster
Mrs King	Mrs Kent
Mrs Wheeler	Mrs Pacey
Mrs Johnson/	Miss English⁄
	Mrs Wheeler

English:

Our English work for the first two weeks will link with 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers.

Reading

The children will be encouraged to change their home reading books once a week when their reading record books will also be checked.

Phonics, Spelling and Handwriting

The children follow the Letters and Sounds phonic programme and our focus this term will be revising Phase 5 and teaching Phase 6 (prefixes and suffixes). Spellings will link to the phonic phase your child is accessing this term. Spellings will be given out on a Friday and the test will take place on the following Friday.

The weekly spelling lists will be coming home in the Letter-join font and there will be up to three spotlight words each week along with the spellings.

Music:

We will explore South African music and instruments and learn some Caribbean songs.

Computing:

We will be creating computer programs using algorithms and learning how to safely search for and share information using digital technology.

Mathematics:

Our maths work this term will focus on place value, counting, comparing and representing numbers to 100, and reading and writing numbers in numerals and words. The children will be counting forwards and backwards in 1s, 2s, 5s, 10s.

We will then move onto addition and subtraction of two-digit numbers.

All year 2 children will have a Mathletics account to access in school and at home. Mathletics is an online learning platform that allows parents to see the methods we use to teach calculation skills and provides the children with opportunities to practise skills at home. We will set Mathletics tasks for children to do at home every other week.

Science:

Our first unit is 'Animals Including Humans' and this links well with our Caribbean topic.

We will learn how animals, including humans, have offspring that grow into adults. We will find out about and describe the basic needs of animals.

We will learn about the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.

We will also be learning about some key scientists.

