# **Spring Curriculum Overview – Year 2**



# **English**

- Write the next part of a known story with the same characters, thinking about the moral of the story
- Write a letter from a main character in a story to another character using details from the book
- Write a poem using 'The Desk Diddler' as inspiration
- Practise answering comprehension questions using key skills

#### To support your child with this aspect of their learning you could:

- Continue to enjoy reading at home daily
- Pick out interesting vocabulary the author has used
- Encourage your child to read with expression
- Ask comprehension questions requiring a deeper level of understanding (How do you think the character felt? How would you feel if you were the character? Why do you think the character did that?)



# Science/Computing



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## RHSE/RE/PE



#### Science

- Describe the properties of natural and human-made materials
- Observe objects, materials, living things and changes over time, sorting and grouping them based on their features and explaining their reasoning
- Compare the suitability of a range of everyday materials for particular uses
- Describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy
- Explore that plants have roots, stems, leaves, flowers and fruit
- Follow a set of instructions to perform a range of simple tests, making simple predictions for what might happen and suggesting ways to answer their questions
- Use a range of methods to gather and record simple data with some accuracy

#### Computing

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 Create a simple solution that tests an ideas, predict the outcome and test and debug the solution to ensure that it works

History/Geography

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- To identify a realistic goal and how to achieve it
- To explore how to work well as a group to create an end product
- To understand what I need to do to keep my body healthy
- To explore what foods are good and give me energy

#### RE

- Learn about customs associated the Tibetan Buddhist holiday Losar
- To explore the good luck symbols of Buddhists
- To learn about the Sikh wedding ceremony called Anand Karaj
- To discuss the idea of love and what it looks and feels like

#### PE

- To develop different ways of moving at speed and understand the consequences of not being agile
- In dance learn how to control and co-ordinate their bodies
- To explore dodging and how to do it effectively

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## **Maths**

- To learn to read the time, past and to, to the nearest five minutes.
- To calculate durations of times in hours and minutes
- To identify ½, 1/3, ¼ of shapes and numbers
- Identify ½ and 2/4 as equivalent fractions
- Add and subtract 2-digit numbers including regrouping
- Solving word problems with addition and subtraction
- To add and subtract near multiples of ten
- Recognise and compare the value of coins

### Geography

- Identify world seas and seas around the UK
- Explore maps of the UK and identify coastline, focussing on Saltwick Nab and coastal holiday resorts
- Read simple maps using symbols and a key
- Understand geographical similarities and differences by comparing human and physical features of a small part of the UK

# Art/D&T

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- Make simple sketches of flowers
- Identify similarities and differences between flower artworks
- Explore and create a range of textures using paper and clay D&T
- Make and a model beach hut, using the basic 3D wooden box frame
- Strengthen structures including different ways of joining materials



## Music



- Exploring the pulse, rhythm and pitch of a song
- Listen and appraise a variety of music
- Play a variety of turned instruments including the voice

## Making the same total using different coins

- To support your child with this aspect of their learning you could:

  Ask your child to read the time on a clock
  - Practise adding and subtracting
  - Pay using coins in a shop