

Class 2 Newsletter

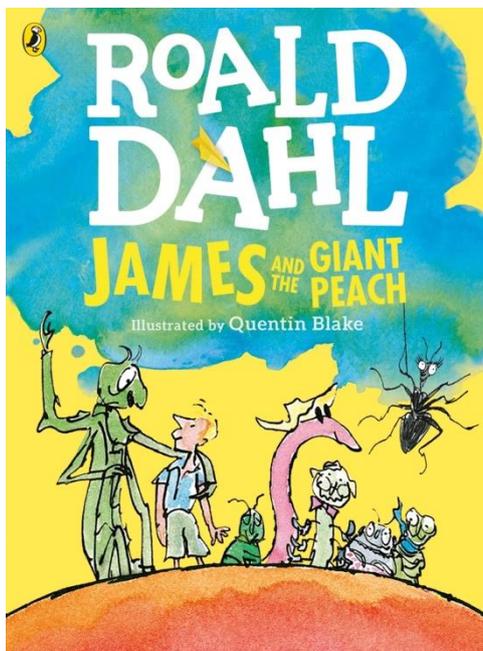
Our book this half term is '**James and the Giant Peach**' by Roald Dahl. The children will be using the text to develop their imaginative writing skills and explore how different characters are developed as the story moves on. They will look at the book uncovering themes such as: **Rebellion, Friendship and Transformation**. This unit of work provides the children with many opportunities to make inferences and form opinions about the author's use of language.

Literacy

In Literacy this half term, we will continue to practise using direct speech in addition to focusing on writing: poems, play scripts and recounts.

During reading sessions, we will be developing our inference skills so that we can 'read between the lines' of a text and understand why authors use specific language.

The children will be continuing their spelling programme and will be completing daily handwriting practice.



Numeracy

In Numeracy, we will continue to learn about fractions and decimals as well as different units of measure including money and time. Our lessons will involve solving problems involving time and measure and will also recap the application of all four calculation methods and the multiplication and division of numbers by 10, 100 and 1000.

Science and Computing

In science this term the children will learning about sound. They will explore how sound travels in waves and is created by vibrations.

In addition, children will be visiting 'Magna' to develop their understanding of sound as well as look further at changing states and the water cycle. The visit will also introduce next half term's rocks and fossils science topic.

After practising the basics of navigating around a computer last half term, Class 2 will use Powerpoint to produce professional presentations based on their science topic.

Homework

Homework will continue to be given out and collected every Monday. Each piece of homework is designed to run alongside the Maths or English learning being completed that week.

DT

In DT, children will be creating their own minibeast. Their creation will be planned in detail, carefully created and then evaluated to ensure that it is the best it can be.

P.E

P.E this half term will continue to be on a Monday and Thursday.

A reminder that P.E kits should be brought on a Monday and taken home on a Friday. This will help ensure all children are able to take part in P.E lessons.

The children have been made aware of their swimming groups and will be attending lessons fortnightly.

Religious Education

Within RE, we will be looking at rites of passage. To do this we will be learning about how different religions celebrate a range of important life events.

Christian Values

Over the half term, we will be exploring the value of **Friendship**. This will link directly to our class text.