

Computing

This half term we will focus our learning on:
'We are Photographers'

In the unit Year 2 will review photos online, practise using a digital camera, take photos to fit a given theme, edit their photos, and then select their best images to include in a shared portfolio.



The children will also learn how to minimise the risks when keeping personal information private and what to do if they have concerns about images they encounter on the web.

Children will be taught online safety in order to participate safely in the online community including when sourcing images for their projects.

Religious Education

This half term our focus is:

Christianity

Year 2 will be learning about the celebration of **Easter**. Pupils will discuss the meaning of the term **resurrection** and the significance of resurrection to **Christians** and the story of Easter.

Our key question this half term will be:

How important is it to Christians that Jesus came back to life after His crucifixion?



Reading

As readers, children will develop their knowledge of fluency and expression when reading aloud and reading in small groups with an adult. The children will practice their skills in how to find important information in the text through Reading Comprehension sessions. We also use reading skills to read blurbs and predict what a book might be about. This helps the children to understand why they need to look at texts carefully to have a greater understanding of what they are reading. Children who did not meet the expectations of the National Phonics Screening Check in Year 1 are given further help and are assessed again at the end of the year.

At the end of each day, the teacher reads a quality text to the children to ensure that they are hearing rich vocabulary daily. Children are encouraged to read every night for 15 minutes. Completed books should be recorded in their Home Reading Journal which must be signed by parents/carers.

Spelling & Home Learning

You will receive a **Home Learning Passport** detailing projects and questions for you and your child to complete at home. All homework is carefully chosen to link closely with your child's school learning.

If you have access to the internet, your child has a unique username and password that they can use to access **Mathletics** and **Times Tables Rockstars**. These online programmes, subscribed to by the school, will help to improve and reinforce your child's maths skills.

Mathletics - <http://uk.mathletics.com/signin/>
TT Rockstars - <https://play.ttrockstars.com/>

Spellings will be sent home on Fridays:

Children will have one week to find out the meaning of each word and learn the correct spelling for their spelling test on the following Friday.

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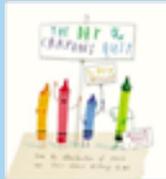
Year 2

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English

Focus Texts:

- **'The Magic Finger'** - by Roald Dahl.
'What happens when the hunted become the hunter? To the Gregg family, hunting is just plain fun. To the girl next door, it's plain horrible. She tries to be polite. She tries to talk them out of it, but the Greggs only laugh at her. Then one day the Greggs go too far, and the little girl turns her Magic Finger on them.'
- **'The Day the Crayons Quit'** - by Drew Daywalt.
'Poor Duncan just wants to colour. But when he opens his box of crayons, he finds only letters, all saying the same thing: We quit! What is Duncan to do?'



As well as writing in different styles children will continue to check, edit and up-level their work. There will be a strong focus on reading comprehension, handwriting, vocabulary, grammar and spelling.

At The Devonshire Hill Nursery & Primary School our vision is to equip your child with core academic and social skills needed to be prepared for life.

We teach our children:

Responsibility
Initiative
Curiosity
Optimism

Independence
Generosity
Perseverance
Social Intelligence

Mathematics

Mathematics Mastery is an exciting maths scheme which is adopted in our maths lessons for pupils in Reception - Year 3. Children will learn through 'hands-on' investigation which will help them to develop a deeper understanding of key mathematical concepts. www.mathematicsmastery.org/

Year 2 will focus on improving their arithmetic skills and times tables knowledge. Pupils can practise their times tables from home using their **Times Tables Rock Star** login. www.trockstars.com

This term pupils will be using 'sharing' to work out division sums and to solve different word problems. We will learn doubles of bigger numbers and find halves and quarters of a set of objects and quantities and shapes. Children will be learning how to tell the time using o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to. We will be working with both analogue and digital clocks.

They will also be rounding numbers up or down, using greater than and less than and adding more than two numbers together.

Finally we will continue to practice and apply our times tables knowledge by finding multiples of different numbers. Help your child to learn their times tables and corresponding division facts.

Mandarin

Year 2 will be learning new language linked to work and occupation. Pupils will apply this new language to existing knowledge of self introduction. By Learning to discuss future aspirations, pupils will develop their ability to answer questions about themselves in Mandarin.



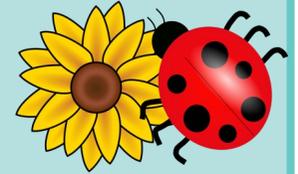
Pupils will expand on their understanding of Chinese culture through exploration of traditional styles and characteristics of Chinese architecture. Pupils will make handcraft which relates to Chinese architecture.

Topic: Flowers & Insects

Focus Figure: Priscilla Wakefield

Focus Tet: 'The Tiny Seed' by Eric Carle

This is a Science related topic. We will be studying the structure of a variety of flowering plants. We will have the opportunity to observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants.



Working scientifically we will plan a 'fair test' to identify which important factors cause plants to grow best. We will observe the changes that a bulb goes through as it grows and how worms move through the soil. The children will visit the Tottenham Cemetery to identify which insects live there.

Physical Education

Diamond class will focus on **Gymnastics**.

Pupils will develop their co-ordination, balance and control when learning the new skills of: log, dish and teddy bear rolls, shoulder stands and forward rolls. They will also begin to develop skills in self and peer assessment of individual skills and create their own routines.

Sapphire class will focus on **Co-ordination Games**

Pupils will apply and enhance their existing co-ordination skills through a variety of co-ordination games. Pupils will use co-ordination skills such as balance, agility, aim, throwing and catching. They will set targets through self and peer assessment, attempting to achieve a new personal best as their skills improve.

PE will be on Wednesday.

All children are required to take part in physical education. Your child must have a school PE kit with plimsolls in school on their PE day.

All items in your child's PE kit must be clearly marked with their names.