



Curriculum Newsletter for Year 2

Advent Term 2026

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Creation and Covenant

Pupils explore the story of Noah and begin to understand the covenant that God made with His people.

Pupils will also explore the sacrament of Baptism and understand that at Baptism, we become part of the Church family.

Prophecy and Promise

Pupils will explore various scripture that tell us about the birth of Jesus. Pupils will know that Advent is a time to prepare for the coming of Jesus at Christmas.

Maths –

White Rose Maths Units:

Place Value, Addition and Subtraction and Shape.

The children will use lots of practical resources in the classroom to assist their understanding of new mathematical concepts.

Geography – Would you like to live in a cold place or a hot place?

Pupils will learn to name and locate the seven continents on a world map and locate the North and the South Poles. Pupils will identify and describe some similarities and differences between the UK and Kenya.

History - How was the school different in the past?

Pupils will order and date four photographs on a timeline and ask questions about schools in the past. Pupils will make a comparison between schools in the past and present.

PE (Games) – Moving – Dodging

Gymnastics – Linking movements

English

Key texts: The Tin Forest by Helen Ward and Wayne Anderson and Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl

Writing opportunities will include: descriptive writing, instructions, story writing, explanation texts, newspaper reports, poems and letters

Grammar: pupils will explore expanded noun phrases, conjunctions, capital letters, exclamation marks, question marks, commas for lists, apostrophes and suffixes

Handwriting: pupils will begin to join their writing

Science

What animals need for survival

Pupils will explore the similarity and differences in what animals need to survive.

Humans Pupils will look at what humans need to keep healthy. They will investigate how their heart rate is affected by exercise

Materials Pupils will identify and sort human made and recyclable materials.

Plastics

Children will learn that the overuse of single-use plastic has had negative impacts on humans and the world.

Music

How does music help us to make friends?

How does music teach us about the past?

Design Technology

A balanced diet – pupils will explore what a balanced diet looks like and create some healthy snacks

Art & Design

Sculpture – pupils will create Nativity figures using a variety of materials including clay

Computing / PSHE – E-Safety – Keeping ourselves self-online

Information technology around us – What is IT?

Digital Photography – Pupils will understand that photos can be captured using different devices

Weekly Homework:

Spellings – a list of spellings will be sent home each Monday. Your child will be tested on these words the following Monday.

My Maths – a Maths task will be set each Monday. Your child has one week to complete the task. This will be linked to their current learning in Mathematics. Please check your child's reading record for their log in details.

Times Tables Rock Stars – pupils should spend some time each week practising their times tables.

Reading – your child should be reading at home at least three times a week. Please discuss the book they are reading (See Vipers questions at the back of their record book) and sign the reading record each time you hear them read.

Information about homework will be posted on Class Dojo.

Thank you for your continued support