



Spring 2023 1st Half Term- Year 2

We hope you all had a restful holiday and a wonderful Christmas. We are raring to get started with the new term and have got lots of exciting things planned for the children. All of your children have returned to school eager to learn and it's great to be greeted by their happy faces every morning. Team Parkland will begin a new topic on Medical Marvels which the children are already curious to learn more about.

English

★ Writing:

The children will continue to consolidate writing sentences that are grammatically correct during lessons. We will begin to look at what makes a paragraph. We will also be continuing to use a range of conjunctions in sentences. The children will also be writing creatively about the story 'The Firebird' by using adjectives to describe settings and characters.

Reading: The children will continue to read regularly in school. Please continue to read with your child 4 times a week at home. They are making such good progress as a result of reading regularly.

★ **Phonics:** This term the children will focus on learning how to use a range of suffixes correctly. These will include, 'ful', 'less', 'ness', 'able', 'ible', and 'ly'.

★ **Spelling:** We will continue to have weekly spelling quizzes. Please help your child to practise the words that are written in their blue books.

Maths

★ Addition and Subtraction:

We plan to spend the first few weeks of this term consolidating what the children have learnt about addition and subtraction. The children will be solving missing number problems and questions where the = sign works as a balance between 2 number sentences e.g. $40 + 10 = 50 + ?$. The children will have the chance to practise using the column method again and bar models.

★ Money:

The children will be learning about money towards the end of this term. We will ensure that the children can name and order the different coins and notes correctly.

They will be able to use their knowledge of addition and subtraction to add different coins to make the same amounts. For example, 50p can be made by using a 50p coin, 5 10p coins or 2 20p coins and a 10p coin.

Foundation Subject focus areas

★ Geography:

Europe, travel and looking at our closest European neighbours.

★ History:

Significant individuals who have been involved in changes to medicine such as Florence Nightingale, Edward Jenner and Mary Seacole.

★ Computing:

Programming and algorithms

★ RE:

Christianity and Lent

★ PE:

Dance

★ PSHE:

Healthy and Happy Friendships

★ Art Week focus:

Botanic art

★ Science:

Seasons and Weather

★ Music:

Pitch and Tempo

★ French:

Numbers, calendars and birthdays

Foundation Subject big questions can be found on the school website.

Team Enchantment reminders for this half term

- ★ Please ensure your child's uniform is clearly labelled, it is much easier to return lost items if they are named. This includes school water bottles which every child is required to have in school daily.
- ★ Please make sure that your child's blue spellings book is in their book bag every day. This means that they are able to write new spellings in to practise at home which will help them to be successful in quizzes.
- ★ Reminder that we have our Phonics Fun sessions every Friday at drop off time until 8:55.

PE days: Hazel: Monday and Wednesday **Chestnut:** Monday and Wednesday **Alder:** Monday and Wednesday

Many thanks for your support
Miss Wright, Miss Browne and Miss Kearley