



Spring 2022 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 Space which the children are already curious to learn more about.

English

★ **Non-fiction writing:** Our focus this half term will be on non-fiction writing. We will tie in what the children are learning about in History which will enable them to gain a deeper knowledge of the significant historical individuals and events. The children will need to ensure that their writing is factual, descriptive and well structured. We will be looking at some examples of different non-fiction texts to show the children what they should be working towards.

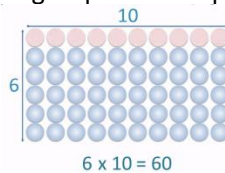
★ **Phonics** The children will continue to have new sounds introduced and we will be working towards learning spelling rules such as 'g' making the 'j' sound.

★ **Spelling:** Please continue to practise spellings with your children at home, now that they are in Year 2 it is important for them to be spelling many words correctly.

Maths

★ Multiplication and Division

The children will be continuing to learn about multiplication and will be introduced to division as well. They will have opportunities to practise times tables and will learn to use arrays, repeated addition and equal groups to multiply and divide.



Rapid recall of multiplication facts is so important. We will be starting to use TimesTable RockStars – an online resources which encourages the development of speed and accuracy.

★ Statistics

In statistics the children will be learning about different ways of recording data. They will be drawing and interpreting pictograms, tally charts and block diagrams.

Sport	
Football	▲▲▲▲▲
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Hockey	▲▲▲▲
Swimming	▲

Topic Focus

Space

★ **History:** We will be focusing on significant people and events that occurred in relation to space. The children will learn about the timeline of events that lead to the first moon landing.

This topic enables the children to learn about historical events from more recent times.

★ **Science:** In science this term, the children will be learning about animals, including humans. They will learn about herbivores, carnivores and omnivores. The children will also begin to learn about food chains.

★ **Geography:** This topic will give the children the chance to learn more about the solar system and understand and recognise different climates on earth.

★ **RE:** The children will be learning about the religion of Hinduism. This will include some Hindu festivals and their beliefs on the creation of the world.

Team Parkland reminders for this half term

- ★ **PE days: Chestnut:** Monday and Thursday **Alder:** Monday and Thursday **Hazel:** Monday and Thursday
- ★ Please ensure that your children come to school with a named school water bottle every day. They also need to have a coat and any other items you may wish to send to keep them warm in the colder weather. Everything sent into school must be labelled.
- ★ DT Week: 7th-11th February
- ★ We would like to thank you for your continued support.

Miss Wright, Miss Browne, Miss Kearley and Miss Wells.