

Year 2 Newsletter

Spring Term

Welcome back!

I hope you all enjoyed the Christmas holiday, opening presents, spending time with friends and family but also resting and recharging ready for the new term! We have a trip to the Beacon and visit from author Ross Mackenzie to look forward to. Take a look at what topics we will be learning about this half term.

English

Our learning in English will revolve around the text, 'Building Boy' by Ross Montgomery & David Litchfield. A simple but lovely story of a boy who constructs a giant metal grandmother, who joyfully seizes his hand, taking him on an amazing journey across oceans, mountains and continents. Children will learn the story, unpick its features and learn how to write with suspense. We will then explore an instructional text of 'How to make a bird feeder' before writing our own set of instructions.



Maths

We will begin the half term learning about fractions and recognising what they look like in shapes before counting and ordering them. Later, we will learn about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes as well as money, improving our understanding of subtraction by finding the change of amounts. We will also recap place value



Science

We will be exploring everyday materials in Science this half term. Identifying and grouping materials against a set of criteria, sorting materials into natural and man-made and investigating how materials change their shape. Children will also work scientifically to plan and conduct an experiment to find the best waterproof material.

Art

In Art this term, we will explore the medium of sculpture and mixed media. Children will create sculptures, pop art and learn how to draw facial expressions to portray different emotions. Our focus artist will be Roy Lichtenstein,

Geography



In Geography we will learn more about our local area. We will explore aerial photographs, OS maps and fieldwork to recognise landmarks and identify some of the basic human and physical features of the town of Egremont.



PE:
Gymnastics and Targets

RE: How special is the relationship Jews have with God?



(Judaism)

Computing:



Online Safety and Questioning.



PSHE:
Our Dreams and Goals

Music:

'I wanna play in a rock band'.