



Aycliffe Village Primary School

Sycamore Class - Miss Craven

Welcome to Summer Term 2019 in Year 2!
We hope you are ready for a term full of fun-packed learning!

Maths

This term in **Maths**, we will be covering a wide range of content focussing on Position and Direction, Problem Solving and Efficient Methods, Measurement: Time, Mass, Capacity and Temperature, as well as Investigations. The children also take part in daily arithmetic starters to continue to practise a range of methods and content.

English

This term in **English**, we will be focussing on a range of different texts to cover the reading and writing aspect of the curriculum in Year 2. Those include, Fiction: Quest Stories, Fiction: Stories by the same author – Anthony Browne, Poetry: the beach/ sea. For each genre of text, we will study how they are written, look at the type of language, punctuation and grammar used and also work towards producing our own work in extended writing.

This term for the **Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling** aspect of English we will be covering, all previously learnt **GPS** skills in Year 2 and putting it all into practise in our writing. We will also be looking at adverbs, whilst having a handwriting and punctuation focus throughout the whole term.

Topic: Geography and History

In **History**, we will be learning about Florence Nightingale as a significant historical individual. We will also consider 'Happy Holidays', now and in the past..

In **Geography**, we will be exploring Place knowledge – UK/ Non-European country and similarities and differences between our local area and Italy (also linked to our History topic, Florence Nightingale).

Music

In **Music**, we will be listening to and experimenting with sound – world music, songs and dances. As well as using body percussion to make compositions.

RE (taught by Mr Underwood)

In **RE**, we will be learning what it means to belong in Buddhism.

Computing

This term in **Computing**, we will be learning how to use logical reasoning to predict the behaviour of simple programs. We will also be looking at using technology safely and purposefully to manipulate digital content.

Science (taught by Mr Underwood)

In **Science**, we will be exploring Plants. Through this we will be learning about the four main parts of a plant and the similarities and differences between all types of plants. We will be growing our own plant and observing its growth and learning about how to help it grow.

Art and Design Technology

In **Art** this term, we will be drawing, painting and creating collages using a range of resources.

In **Design and Technology** the children will design and make a dragon puppet linked to English, quest stories.

PE

This term in **PE** we will be covering Athletics and Dance. Mr Hubbard will teach some of our PE lessons.

Your support with your child's learning can make a big difference to the progress they make!

- Please listen to your child read and ask them questions about their reading. Please ensure reading records are updated and reading books are brought into school every day. It would be greatly beneficial if your child reads their reading books more than once throughout the week – to gain understanding, fluency and confidence in their reading.
- Spellings are sent home every Monday evening and will focus upon our weekly 'Spelling Pattern of the Week'. Spellings will be tested the following Monday.
- Homework will be given on a Friday and to be completed and returned to school by Wednesday. Homework will focus on consolidating learning from our week.
- Please ensure PE kit is in school at all time and that children have a kit suitable for outdoor PE too (when the weather is fine!)