



Waddesdon Village Primary School
Pathway to Excellence
Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter
Summer 1 2022

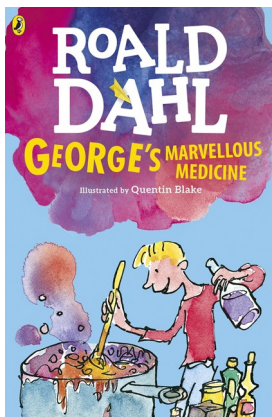


English

As part of our topic, we will look at many different books written by Roald Dahl but our core text in English to begin with will be 'George's Marvellous Medicine'.

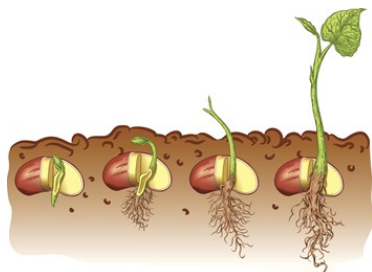
Roald Dahl uses great vocabulary in his books so we will be looking at the kind of language he used and how imagination is such an important tool when writing his stories for children. Our writing will include a character description and instructions.

In addition to this, children will continue to have regular phonics/spelling lessons and reading sessions. We will also have regular handwriting sessions.



Science

We will identify what plants need to grow well and look at how plants grow in certain environments. We will be conducting experiments as to what conditions seeds need in order to thrive and grow.



Class 2 will be learning about Roald Dahl this term. As he lived close by, there are many places you can visit:

The Roald Dahl Children's Gallery in Aylesbury
The Roald Dahl Museum and Story Centre in Great Missenden.

Great website: www.roalddahl.com/museum. There is so much to look at on this website so please take a look.

Summer 1:



Weekly schedules:

Swimming is on a **Tuesday**.
 PE, Show and Tell and Golden Time are on a **Friday**.

Reading books will be changed on a **Monday, Wednesday and Friday**.

Important Dates:

Mon 2nd May—Bank Holiday
Wednesday 11th—Class 2 Multi Skills Trip
Thurs 19th May—Class Photographs
Friday 27th May—Queen's Jubilee Tea Party 2pm

Mathematics

In Mathematics this half term, we will be recapping addition and subtraction and finding fractions of shapes and amounts.

We will also be recapping the similarities and differences between 2D and 3D shapes and learning how to tell the time to the nearest 5 minutes. Any practise of telling the time at home would be very beneficial to your child's progress. Telling the time is something we should be practising and referring to daily.

We will also be exploring position, direction and movement this half term.

PE

This term C2 will be starting their swimming lessons on a Tuesday morning. During Friday's PE lessons the children will be developing their tennis skills.



RE

We will be learning about what is a Mosque and why Muslims go there. In our topic about 'Belonging'.



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History

This half term we will be looking at the life of one of Britain's most famous children's authors, Roald Dahl. We will look at how a young Roald lived his life, then develop the idea by comparing it to our lives as children today.



Phonics and Spelling

We will be looking at correctly using an apostrophe in words. Then we will be learning about spelling rules when adding -ing, -ed, -er, -est, -y, -ful, -ness and -ly.



How you can support your child at home

Reading:

Please encourage your child to take part in our exciting reading rocket challenge!

Children are encouraged to read as often as possible at home, preferably ten minutes every day. This does not always have to be their reading book though. Listening to an adult read is also a valuable experience. Here they will hear a rich and varied vocabulary which will help develop their writing. Please sign and write a comment in their reading record letting us know what you have done e.g. read a book from home/the library, read instructions to a game/recipe or a comic/magazine, listened to stories on CDs or parents read at bedtime.

Please remember to log onto our online reading platform 'Bug Club'. Your child will have two books allocated each week and a variety of fun games and quizzes to complete after reading each book.

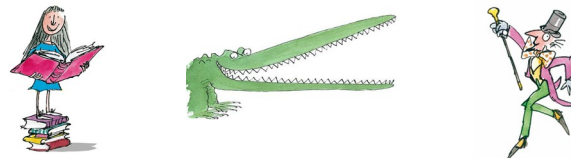
Maths: You will be able to learn times tables at home with **Times Tables Rockstars**. Log in details will be sent home in your child's reading record on Friday. You can still also use **Numbots** at home.

D.T.

Children will explore a range of puppets and investigate how they are made. We will make our own hand puppets.



Summer 1: Roald Dahl



Show and Tell Timetable

29/04/22 – Mentmore

6/05/22 – Ascott

13/05/22 – Claydon

20/05/22 – Hartwell

27/05/22 – Mentmore

Music

We will learn about pulse, rhythm and pitch when learning songs and playing instruments.

Computing

This term the children will be introduced to spreadsheets.

PSHE - Relationships

We will also be looking at friendships, problem solving, showing respect in how we treat others.