



Waddesdon Village Primary School
Pathway to Excellence
Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter
Spring 2 2024



English

Our key texts this term focuses on Superheroes: 'Traction Man is Here' by Mini Grey and 'Supertato' by Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet. We will be looking at character descriptions and story writing. We will develop an understanding of the use of adjectives and nouns.



In addition to this, children will have daily spelling lessons and reading sessions.



We will also continue to have regular handwriting .

Science

We will continue our work on Materials from last term and we will then move on to learn more about healthy eating, having a balanced diet and a healthy lifestyle. The children will investigate the effects of exercise on their bodies and heart rate in PE lessons.



This term, Class 2 will be learning about superheroes and real life heroes.

Can you help?

We would like to have visits from people who work in the emergency services. Are you a police officer, nurse, doctor... or know someone who is? Please let us know as a visit from a real-life hero would enhance the topic.

The theme for the Spring 2 is:

Superheroes!



Weekly schedules:

PE is on a Wednesday and Friday.

Golden Time is on a Friday.

Library is on a Wednesday.

Reading books will be collected in on a Friday and new books given on a Monday.

Show and Tell Timetable

23/2/24 – Ascott

1/3/24 – Claydon

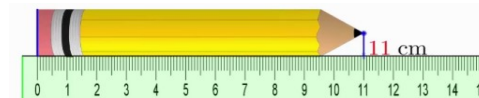
8/3/24 – Hartwell

15/3/24 – Mentmore

22/3/24 – Ascott

Mathematics

This term we will be continuing our work on multiplication and begin to look at division. We will be securing our knowledge and understanding of place value and explore measure.



Times Tables Rock stars will begin this half term. More details will follow.



PE

Children will be exploring and developing skills with basic movements and beginning to apply these to a range of different pieces of music. Working in groups they will be choreographing their own movements and actions around the topic of superheroes.



RE

We will be learning more about Easter and the resurrection.



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History

In this unit, children will focus on real life heroes who work for the emergency services, and how this has developed through time. Children will learn about Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole.



Art

Children will focus on colour and explore different ways to create their own pictures in a similar style to Roy Lichtenstein and his pop art explosions. This will link to the work done in computing last term.



Music

We will be learning about pitch and tempo, identifying high and low notes and to compose a simple tune. Children investigate how tempo changes help tell a story and make music more exciting.



Computing

Children will have a variety of e-safety activities and then look at different ways of 'Presenting Ideas', creating and presenting a non-fiction fact file.

Spelling

We will learn about the two roles of an apostrophe: contractions in words such as didn't and possessive apostrophe. We will continue to learn spelling rules when adding a suffix on to words that end in 'e'.

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Important Dates:

- Wed 5th March 2:30 pm Dad's Day
- Thurs 7th March World Book Day
- 11-15 March STEM week
- Tues 12th March 2:30pm Open afternoon
- 19th&20th March Parents Evenings
- Wed 27th March Superhero Day

How you can support your child at home:

Daily reading is really important to help them progress, especially in their understanding. Children need to make sure they bring their books in as they are checked daily.

Reading Rocket Challenge: children need to tell me when they have read a book from the list of books on the Reading Rocket Challenge list.. Read three books to be entered into a prize draw at the end of the term.

Maths: Please continue to learn number bonds: pairs of numbers that make 10/20/100. Being able to count in 2s 5s and 10s will help with the work we are doing in Maths this term and lead on to times tables. You could also begin to practise telling the time, including quarter past and quarter to the hour. We will continue to recap on coin recognition and making different combinations of coins that equal the same amount so you could also practise this when out shopping.

PSHE - Healthy Me

Children will look at what is a healthy lifestyle and focus on having a healthy body and mind.

