



Waddesdon Village Primary School

Pathway to Excellence

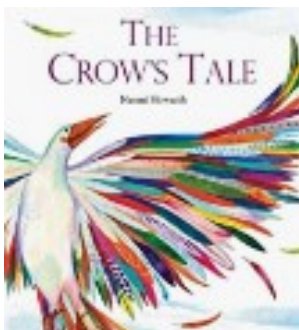
Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter

Summer 2 2023



English

As part of our topic, we will look at a range of books about woodland and gardens. Our main focus will be descriptive and story writing.



Our class reading book will be *The Crow's Tale* by Naomi Howarth.

In addition to this, children will continue to have regular spelling lessons and reading sessions. We will also have regular handwriting sessions joining letters. They are not expected to join every letter in a word. This will not be encouraged.

Science

The children will be learning about living things and their habitats. We will explore the environment around us, including the school pond.



Welcome Back! I hope you have had a restful half term break.

This term we hope to do lots of outdoor learning linked to our Science topic. We will become nature detectives looking at the environment around us and our school pond.

Summer 2: Detecting Nature



Weekly schedules:

Swimming is on a Tuesday. PE is on a 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.

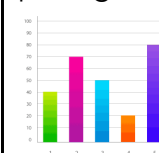
Show and Tell Timetable

9/6/23 – Hartwell
16/6/23 – Mentmore
23/6/23 – Ascott
30/6/23 – Claydon
7/7/23 – Hartwell
14/7/23 – Mentmore

Mathematics

This term we will be looking at measures, position and direction and statistics creating pictograms and block charts.

All these topics will link to our work in science and geography.



We will also be securing knowledge and understanding of adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing and solve word problems.

Why not practise these skills in the game, Karate Cat Maths: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zjkphbk/articles/zf4sscw>



PE

Children will continue to practise their bat and ball skills. They will also be practising multi-skills in preparation for sports day.

RE

We will look at belonging to a faith and community.





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This half term we will be looking at different habitats of living creatures in Science so in Geography will be comparing habitats, looking at maps and also plans.



Art

Children will be looking at pattern and texture in nature and creating their own art work from it.



Music

The children will develop their understanding of musical language and how timbre, dynamics and tempo affect the mood of a song.

Computing

This term the children will finish off the topic on coding from last term. We will then build on the work in maths on statistics and create pictograms and binary trees in computing which will also link to our science work.

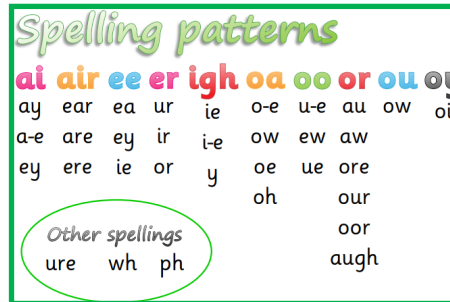


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Phonics and Spelling

We will be securing our knowledge of the phonics code; continue to practise different spelling patterns and focus on spelling common exception words. Please continue to practise learning these at home. The highlighted sheet is in your child's reading folder.



Important Dates:

Tuesday 4th July - Transition Day

Friday 21st July - End of term: 1pm finish

How you can support your child at home

Reading:

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

Children are encouraged to read as often as possible at home, preferably ten minutes every day. Please continue to read books for pleasure but also read the book that gets sent home from the reading scheme as it is particularly chosen to focus on a specific skill your child needs to practise or is a good book to develop their comprehension skills.

Listening to an adult read is also a valuable experience.

Please don't forget to sign and write a comment in their reading record letting us know what you have read. We will not swap a book if it has not been read at home.

Spelling:

It would be beneficial to practise spelling year 1 and 2 common exception words at home, The list is in your child's reading folder.

Maths:

Please enjoy games on **Times Tables Rockstars**. In year 2 your child will be practising the 10, 2 and 5 times tables as well as corresponding divisions. You can still also use **Numbots** at home.

PSHE - Changing Me

We will look at how we change and grow. We will also build on work already done in Science on life cycles.