English

This term we will be focusing on using descriptive language to describe characters and settings. We will be writing wanted posters and writing instructions.

SPaG: Your child will participate in daily spelling lessons and have weekly spelling tests. We will also be learning about different sentence types, word classes, suffixes, and past/present tense.

Art. The children will be focusing on using primary colours to create secondary colours, as well as using black and white to create different tints and tones.

Computing: Children will be learning all about coding and will produce a computer programme that tells a short story.

PSHE:

Throughout the whole of Year 2 we will be looking at how we can be more 'heartsmart' by making decisions that make our hearts happy. This term we will be focusing on 'Don't Forget to Let Love in' which will focus on increasing selfconfidence.

Science

Use of everyday materials:

In science this term we will be looking at why different materials are used to make different things.

DT

We will be looking at how we can create sliders and levers to move a pirate picture.



and why does it matter? This unit enables pupils to begin to explore the

importance of looking after our world and others. The children will explore how people's religions and beliefs influence how they treat the world and others.

How should we care for the world and others,

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We will be learning about the oceans pirates sail on and the continents they visit. We will also be describing the key reatures or places outside of Europe and islands using geographical language.

History

We will be looking at some significant pirates from the past and comparing their lives.

Maths

This term we will be continuing to build on children's knowledge of counting to 20 so that they will be able to count forwards and backwards to 100.

We will be focusing on place value and the four operations (+ - $X \div$) and once a week the children will have the opportunity to apple their knowledge through our 'maths $\mbox{marathon}$ where they will have the chance to earn certificates.

There will also be a focus on limes tables and number bonds - short bursts of daily practice is great!



Dance: In dance this term we will be looking at dance moves that can be performed at different levels, moving to the beat, and transitioning from one move to another. The children will be choreographing and performing their own pirate dance.

Personal skills: We will be looking at how we can challenge and push ourselves when working independently. The focus will be on balance and control.

Welcome back everyone! We hope you all had a lovely summer break — we have put together a curriculum guide to show your child's learning this term — we hope you find it useful!

Useful Dates:

TBC

Homework will be sent out once every half term. We will give the children a range of activities and you can pick and choose which of these you would like to complete, alongside reading daily and accessing doodle maths at least three times a week. This is an opportunity for you and your child to work together on things that the children have been learning during the half term.

Spellings will also be sent home with your child on a Friday of words they will be learning in school the following week. A spelling challenge will take place each Friday.

We would also like to remind you of the importance of reading with your child daily, this does not necessarily have to be your child's school reading book — any book that they (and you) enjoy is fantastic! Please record any reading in your child's reading record. Please remind your children to make sure they have all appropriate equipment in school with them; reading books and reading records daily.

Our PE day is Tuesday, however, your child should have their PE kit in school for the full half term as there may be timetable variations on occasions.

Thank you for your continued support - we are looking forward to a productive and successful year ahead!

Miss Phillips, Miss Read and Mrs Cooper (The Year 2 Team).