



SOUTH BOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Year 2 Newsletter - Term 2

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The **BIG** question...

What Makes Me Unique?

Welcome

Welcome to Term 2! We will be discussing what is special about ourselves and what makes us unique. We will cover this question by looking at where we live in geography and through our jigsaw lessons.

Throughout the term we will be developing our reading skills so please ensure you read daily with your child.

English

Our English learning this term will be focusing on ensuring our sentences have capital letters, full stops and exciting adjectives. We will be writing a range of texts including a diary entry, poem and letter.

We will also be reading a range of non-fiction and fiction texts and focusing on our retrieval and decoding skills.

Towards the end of Term 2, the children will be taking their phonics screener check. We will be having a big focus on this in class but please ensure you keep practicing the sounds at home.

Science

We are continuing our topic of materials this term. We will be investigating how the shape of materials can be changed. We will then be using our knowledge of materials to design and make boats. After, we will test them to see if our materials are suitable.

Computing

In computing this term, we will be using computer software to practise our mouse and keyboard skills. By the end of the term, we will be able to type using a word document. We will also be able to add and edit images from both the internet and from a camera.

Maths

This term, our focus will be on addition and subtraction using both 1 digit and 2 digit numbers. We will be using a range of different representations and manipulatives to add and subtract. We will also be starting to understand money, including recognising different coins and notes as well as adding and subtracting monetary amounts.

Religious Education

We will be continuing our learning about sacred texts this term but with a focus on the Bible and why it is important to Christians. We will also be looking at why some stories are special and why.

Geography

Our geography work this term will be based on the United Kingdom and its place in the world. We will start by looking at the four countries that make up the UK and their capital cities. We will then move on to ensuring that we know and can locate the continents and oceans of the world.

Physical Education

Our PE lessons this term will be focused around dance and ball skills. In dance, we will use our bodies to move and use this to perform a sequence. In our ball skills lessons, we will look at passing a ball with our feet towards a target.

Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education (PSHE)

In PSHE this term, we will be exploring our differences including differences in gender. We will look at the ways that we can celebrate difference and make new friends. We will also be looking at the effects of bullying and what we can do to stand up for ourselves and others.

Design and Technology

Our focus in D.T this term will be food technology. We will be start by looking at existing biscuits and will taste these to decide what we like or dislike about them. We will then design our own biscuits before having a go at making them. We will end the term by partaking in a range of Christmas crafts.

Art

Art this term will focus on continuing learning how to use a colour wheel and applying that knowledge to art work using different types of media. Children will develop their drawing skills even further - creating form. They will study artist Marc Chagall and his famous painting 'I And The Village'. They will also explore batik techniques and employ their colour knowledge to create their own masterpieces.

Speaking and Listening (talking points for you and your child at home)

Please talk to your children about the differences between people and how people who are different to themselves should be treated.

When you have change, do the children know what the value of a note or coin is?

Where is the UK in the world? Have the children visited any countries that are outside of the UK and what continent are the countries that they have visited in?

Which sounds can the children spot in words (for example, the 'are' sound in the word spare).

Recommended Reading for this term

Let your child choose a poem to listen to or read on this website! <https://childrens.poetryarchive.org/>

These books will be available in your classroom book corner:



Reminders and Important Dates

- [South Borough Primary School Dates Ahead 2021-2022 \(Version 1\)](#)
- Please read with your child for 10 minutes every night as this helps the children massively to develop their own reading ability and confidence.
- 16th November - Talent Show Day
- From 25th November - Year 2 Phonics Screener

Home Learning



Google Classroom



Mathletics



TT Rockstars

