



# Around the World

**Year 2**

**Spring**

## English

Throughout spring, the children will develop their confidence in independent writing and writing longer pieces, both fiction and non-fiction. The children will focus on including a range of skills including, expanded noun phrases, adverbs, conjunctions and using exciting, well thought out vocabulary.

During spring, Year 2 will be writing a collection of exciting narratives, non-chronological report about the United Kingdom and an alternative version of different traditional tales.

## Maths

This term, Year 2 will be focusing on using a range of written and mental methods to add and subtract one and two digit numbers to 100 and using number bonds to 20 to relate to facts to 100. They will be developing their rapid recall of multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Children will be developing their time telling skills to become confident in telling the time to the nearest 5 minutes. Children will also be focusing on different types of measurement and reading a range of scales accurately in 2's, 5's and 10's. Children will have a wide range of opportunities to develop their reasoning and problem solving skills through practical and abstract questioning and challenges.

## Wow Event!

India and Mexico culture days

## Humanities

### History

The children will be learning about the life of Gandhi and how his life had an effect nationally and internationally. We will also focus on The Royal Family and create a large scale family tree.

### Geography

This term, Year 2 will be comparing the UK to non-European countries (India, Mexico and Russia). Year 2 will be creating their own papier-mâché globes and labelling the continents and oceans. They will then use these to look at the equator and hot and cold countries in relation to this.

### RE

Who is a Muslim and what do they believe?  
What can we learn from sacred books?

## Computing

In computing, the children will be focusing on developing their typing skills on a laptop. Year 2 will type longer pieces of writing onto a word document, save it into a folder they have created on the network drive and insert pictures from the internet.

## The Arts

### Music

Year 2 will be creating and performing a piece of music using untuned percussion instruments.

### Art & Design

This term, the children will be creating mehndi patterns using watercolours, designing a beautiful Dia de los Muertos mask and sketching famous Indian landmarks. They will also be focusing on the famous Russian artist Kandinsky and recreating his work.

## PSHE

In PSHE, Year 2 will be focusing on how to save money, how to cope with their feelings and emotions and practicing mindfulness, as well as anti-bullying and online safety.

## Science

**Plants** In this unit, the children will further develop their knowledge of plants from Year 1 by learning about a plants needs and watching a range of seeds and bulbs grow. They will keep a bean diary over a period of 6 weeks and carefully observe their growing plant.

**Working scientifically** Throughout spring, children will have the opportunities to work scientifically through investigations such as 'How do you make the biggest bubble?' and 'Can you make ice cream without a freezer?'