

Spring

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you all had a relaxing break and we wish everyone a happy new year!

English

This term the children will explore ways to describe characters from an alternative version of a well-known story. We will be using *Jack and the Baked Beanstalk* by Colin Stimpson as inspiration with a focus on using expanded noun phrases with commas, apostrophes for possession, similes and subordination (using *if, when, that, because*).

Maths

This term we will be counting and comparing amounts of money. We will then be introducing the children to the multiplication and division symbols. They will be looking at how to recognize then make equal groups and how to use arrays. Children will explore the connection between repeated addition and multiplication, then the inverse relationship between multiplying and dividing in the 2, 5 and 10 times-tables.

Science

In Science, the children will be taught that all animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults. They will find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air). Children will also discover the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.

Art & Music

Music - *I Wanna Play In A Band* by Joanna Mangona. We will learn about singing & playing together in an ensemble. In Art we will be transforming familiar objects into new and fun forms.

Geography

Why does it matter where my food comes from? Children will explore how food gets from farm to shop, why being careful about how much added sugar we eat helps maintain a healthy lifestyle and why locally sourced food and free-range production regimes are considered environmentally friendly and sustainable.

PSHME

Physical and Mental Wellbeing – growing & changing. Children will learn sensible routines and habits for maintaining good physical & mental health, why sleep, rest and dental hygiene are important for growing and keeping healthy.

RE

Children learn how Christianity uses the 10 commandments as a set of rules to guide their life, Islam refers to the 'Crying Camel' story to show how to look after all creatures on Earth and Buddhism uses the 'Monkey King' story to show how everything and everybody is equal.

Computing

Computing will look at programming with a focus on robot algorithms.

MFL

In Spanish the children will listen and respond to simple songs & rhymes.

P.E.

In yoga pupils learn about mindfulness and body awareness. Football lessons will include passing, dribbling, tackling and teamwork.

Thank you for all your support!

Year 2 team!



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Green

Please listen to your child read at home every day (5-10 minutes) and where possible from a variety of texts. Please ensure that their reading records, reading books and Me books come to school in book bags **every day**.

PE days:

Parakeet: Tue & Thu

Kestrel: Wed & Thu

Woodpecker: Mon & Fri

Please come to school wearing appropriate clothing for PE (trainers, leggings/shorts/tracksuit bottoms, t-shirt, sweatshirt or hoodie).

Year 2 Home learning:

Each week, your child will have a

- A reading task on BugClub
- A maths task on Sumdog

Me Books

We are also sending home a 'Me book' in which there will fortnightly activities. Every 2 weeks two activities will be shared in children's books to complete together. Me books can be brought back into school to share with the teacher and class any day before the date stated on each activity.

Other Class Information:

Linked to our Geography topic, this term the children will be visiting a local market to explore what range of locally sourced foods are available. After half term, we will also be visiting the 'Ragged School Museum' to experience life and education in the Victorian era.

Lost Property

Children are encouraged to look after their belongings. If an item of clothing is found with no name on it, the item will be taken to lost property for the children to collect in the playground at the end of the day.

Getting in Touch!

If you have a question, concern or query, please email the office at

info-BC@brindisheschools.org and your email will be forwarded to the relevant member of staff.