

# YEARS 1 AND 2 SPRING TERM CYCLE 2 CURRICULUM STATEMENT



## ENGLISH

We shall be studying the National Curriculum in speaking and listening, reading and writing. The children have individual targets in order to progress. In Year 1, the children will be having daily discreet phonics sessions to enhance their reading and spelling capabilities. These will cover the graphemes and phonemes as established within the Letters and Sounds document. As the children progress to Year 2 they will be taught spelling and grammar following the Oxford Owl scheme.

This term we will focus on story writing and developing narrative. The children will also be writing spring poems using exciting vocabulary. In handwriting, children will continue to work on the development of a fluent cursive writing style. All the children will be writing stories for the Swinemoor publication. Cbeebies is a good website to listen to a variety of stories.

## MATHS

We shall be studying the National Curriculum in Mathematics. We will continue the teaching of Maths No Problem. It teaches children basic mathematic skills; it encourages them to problem solve in a variety of ways. A useful website to practise mathematics skills is BBC Bitesize. Year 2 will have the opportunity to practise their times tables using TT Rockstars.

## SCIENCE

We shall be studying the National Curriculum. We shall be teaching the children about animals and habitats, as well as revisiting seasonal change. We will focus on naming animals and understanding the conditions required to sustain life. A useful website to learn more about animals is BBC Bitesize.

In Computing, we will be using hardware to create products relating to topics. This may include posters, labelling or advertisements. We will also build upon the children's weekly learning of E-safety, with a focused and in depth study of the ways in which to keep safe both when using virtual and hardware technology.

## THE ARTS

In Design & Technology, all children will participate in the annual Masterchef competition, and they will develop their understanding of food and nutrition. This will be supplemented by a term long art project, developing painting skills. This will include painting of the great outdoors and wildlife.

## THE HUMANITIES

We will be studying historical events through the ages, such as: The Great Fire of London and the sinking of the Titanic. The children will have opportunities to write interesting facts through diary extracts and using descriptive language to describe what they can see in a photograph. A good website to learn more about historical events is BBC Teach.

## PE

We will be learning competitive striking and fielding, team games and gymnastics. The children will learn and practise a variety of techniques, such as: striking a ball with a bat and simple routines in gymnastics.

## RE/ PHSE

In RE we will be focusing on the topic of 'Believing'. The children will explore a range of different faiths and cultures. In PSHE, the children will be learning about dreams and goals, and how to be healthy. This will follow the Jigsaw initiative.

## TERMLY COMPETITIONS

This term we have two different competitions ahead of us. The first is Masterchef, where we will be preparing different foods for judges to taste. There will be a story writing competition. Every child will have their story published in the now highly anticipated traditional 'Swinemoor Stories' anthology.

