

We are reading:

Grace Darling texts

Teachers' Pets poetry by Paul Cookson

Milo Imagines the World by Matt de la Pena



Year 2 Knowledge Organiser Summer 2 2024

**Be courageous; be strong.
Do everything in love.**

1 Corinthians 16:13-14

In English, we will be continuing to prioritise our class non-negotiables including correct and consistent use of capital letters, a range of punctuation and joined handwriting. We will introduce grammar objectives including using apostrophes for contraction and possession, conjunctions to join clauses and capitalising proper nouns.

Our first unit of work is using texts about Grace Darling will focus on using the past tense accurately.

We will also be developing our reading skills by using prediction, inference and asking questions about the story to really understand a text. We will look at vocabulary choices and discuss how it has been used in the texts we are reading.

In Maths, we will begin with our statistics unit. This includes:

- Making tally charts and pictograms
- Interpreting pictograms and tables

We will then move onto our geometry unit looking at position and direction. This includes:

- Using positional language
- Describing movement and turns
- Exploring shape patterns with turns

The children will be practising their times tables daily, please try to support this at home in preparation for KS2.

In RE, we will be thinking about caring for the world and why it matters. We will be thinking about the Golden Rule, how believers of different worldviews think about charity and about caring for others. We will be exploring how Christians, Muslims and Jews take care of the world.

Key vocabulary: charity, psalms, Golden Rule, religions

In PE this half term, our unit is athletics and preparing for Sports Day. We will be practising jumping and running for distance and throwing for accuracy. We will continue to improve our long-distance running techniques by completing the Golden Mile regularly.

Key vocabulary: running, jumping, throwing, speed
PE day: Monday

In Art, we will be using charcoal to practise a range of different drawing skills to 'tell a story'. We will be practising skills of cross hatching, stippling and scribbling for a purpose. We will be evaluating artists work as well as our own.

Artist of the term: Claude Monet

Key vocabulary: charcoal, illustrations, expression

In Science, we will be learning about living things and their habitats, specifically microhabitats. We will be learning about the relationships between habitats, food chains and the local environment.

Our scientist of the term is: Isaac Newton

Key vocabulary: habitat, microhabitat, food chain, sources

In History, we will be learning about Grace Darling; who she was and why she is remembered. We will be looking at sources, the role of the RNLI and preparing for our visit to Bamburgh to visit the Grace Darling museum.

Key vocabulary: heroine, Forfarshire, Farne Islands, RNLI

In computing, we will be using the laptops to carry out research and discover different ways to present this including font and size, the use of pictures and understanding that work belongs to different people.

Key vocabulary: font, ownership, research

In Music this half term, we will continue working with Newcastle Music Service on Djembe drumming, focussing on our performance skills.

Key vocabulary: djembe, drum, base, tone

In PSHE, we will be learning about recognising our feelings and being able to describe them. We will be talking about being mindful also.

Key vocabulary: feelings, mindful, sharing

The websites we will access in our learning are:

- <https://ttrockstars.com/>
- <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

You can help your child by:

- Reading with them at home and listening to your child read daily
- Use UXL for maths and English activities to support learning
- Use Spelling Shed to support your child's spelling practice
- Use Times Table Rockstars to support with 2, 5 and 10x tables and their division facts (and 3/4x table if they're ready!)

Key dates this half term:

- Monday 17th June – Y2 sports day at 2:00pm
- Tuesday 18th June – Y2 Gosforth library trip (pm only)
- Tuesday 2nd July – Bamburgh visit
- Wednesday 3rd/Thursday 4th July – GST Transition days