

Dear Year 2 Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to another short, but busy half term! We have lots of exciting learning opportunities planned, so read on to find out more.



Our new topic is called 'Wriggle and Crawl'. This is a Science based topic where the children will be learning about mini-beasts, habitats and life cycles.

In Numeracy the children will be continuing to learn multiplication facts as **the KIRF for this half term is to know multiplication and division facts for the 2 times table**. The children will also be

- Learning more about fractions
- Using measures for length, weight and capacity.

Mr Orchard will be leading Forest Schools with the children needing their outdoor clothes, boots etc. on a Monday afternoon. During P.E lessons the children will be working with the coaches outside on a Wednesday, so please make sure your child has their P.E kit in school, including tracksuit bottoms if the weather is cold.

During Science lessons the children will be learning about habitats. The children will also be learning

- The needs of animals to stay alive and healthy
- Names of different habitats within the school grounds
- How animals suit the environment in which they live
- Life cycles of insects

During literacy we will be looking at the book *Lost Words* as well as watching the film *Bugs* life to inspire our writing, as well as creating fact pages about the lifecycles of insects.

The children will be learning to

- Use punctuation to include question marks
- Use connectives to sequence ideas
- Join handwriting.

We are continuing with 'Readopoly' and the children are producing some excellent pieces of work about the books they are reading, expressing personal opinions and making comparisons between books. Keep up the great work!

Our work in Art will focus on Ferns in connection with the book *Lost Words* as well as studying mini-beasts, as the children will be learning to

- Use different sketching techniques
- Colour mix with paints
- Use different painting techniques, using objects other than a paintbrush
- Print with natural objects.

If you have any queries or concerns, please see me and I will be happy to arrange a time to talk to you.

Regards,
Mrs Palin

