

Year 2 Autumn 1

PSHCE

Health and Wellbeing
Think Positive

This unit will help children to recognise and accept their feelings, both positive and negative, as well as how to manage certain feelings.

RE

Kwanzaa

The children can explore a recent American festival that has its roots in the civil rights movement, and now is celebrated annually just after Christmas and New Year across America. It is not a religious festival, but rather draws on values and celebrates them. The unit uses Philosophy techniques to enquire into a traditional African story, asking the children to find meaning and questions from it. The unit then draws upon religious values and ask the children to think about these.

FRENCH

Numbers and Colours
Grammar focus: Personal pronouns

By the end of the unit, children will be able to count in French. They will also know the names of the colours and will use this in conversation; to include describing objects. Children will also practice the basic conversational French they learned in Year 1.

GEOGRAPHY

The UK
A London Study

By the end of the unit, children will have a sound understanding of the position of the countries within the UK and the location of some major cities within England. They should develop a sense of where places are across the UK as well as more localised within central London

SCIENCE

Uses of Everyday Materials

Children will identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials including; wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock and paper.

Children will also explore how the shapes of some solid objects can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching

ART AND DT

Family Art

Artist: Kasimir Malevich

Technique: collage

Skills: painting neatly within the line, cutting shapes, gluing, sticking and collaging people.

This half term, the Year 2 students will learn about Russian artist Kasimir Malevich. They will use painting and collage to depict their family in the style of Malevich.

London Life (DT)

Drawing and sculpture

They will also work in groups to recreate some of London's landmarks in 3D, using recycled material from home. Each class will end up with a 3D model of London showing some of its most famous landmarks.

COMPUTING

E-safety

Children will be learning how to stay safe on the internet though emojis. Children will assign emojis (happy face/sad face) to given scenarios.

Using the Internet

Children will learn to use the internet safely and with a purpose. Children are shown how to search the Internet using one word; how to make sense of the returned results; how to use "for kids" to return more suitable results; how to follow links and return to the search results. Children are encouraged to use a range of search engines, including Google, Bing and Yahoo, and some more child-friendly engines like Kidrex.

PE

Hockey

Children will be able to: follow simplified rules of a game; stay in a zone during a game; use and decide where the best place to be is during a game and use one tactic in a game.

Health and Fitness

Children will be able to: show how to exercise safely; describe how their body feels during different activities and explain what their body needs to keep healthy.

MUSIC

Hand, Feet and Heart
Xylophones

Children create group compositions with a clear structure and increasing awareness of how to use pulse, pitch and rhythm to change the mood.

