

YEAR 2 - SCHUBERT AND WALLEN

newsletter



AUTUMN 1 TERM 2025

WRITING



Across this term, we will be exploring different genres, including narrative, letter writing, and setting descriptions.

Our English lessons will be designed to immerse the children fully into our focus text. They will experience the stories by delving into the context through drama strategies and active learning. This experience will then underpin and inspire their purpose for writing, which is being supported by grammar, taught discreetly within lessons, and phonics which is taught separately. The texts we will be exploring this half term will be "A River". (Please do not read these books to your children as this will spoil the teaching sequence and excitement).

HANDWRITING

As a school, we follow the continuous cursive handwriting style; your child will be encouraged to use the correct letter formation and joins in all aspects of the curriculum, with designated handwriting sessions during the week using Letter Join programme

READING

In Year 2, our aim is for children to become fluent, confident readers who also have a love of books. We encourage children to read a variety of reading materials (not just their school reading books) and to develop a reading identity. An adult will listen to your child read in school weekly. Our Guided Reading sessions support children with their comprehension skills, so they have a deeper understanding of the text. At the end of every day we will share a specific class text at story time; we believe books are extremely important. Children are encouraged to read for at least 10 minutes every day and this can be their reading book or any text you have at home that is of interest to them.

Please use the bookmarks sent home with children's reading books to discuss the text with them, this will support their understanding of what they have read. Each child will receive three books each week- a Reading Recovery book, a phonics book and a library book.

Your child will have a set day whereby their book will be changed providing they have read their books at least 3 times to focus on fluency, expression and comprehension. Your child's log must be signed at least 3 times. If time permits please practice their reading words (in the back of their log).

SPELLING/PHONICS **Supersonic** Phonic Friends

We will be focusing on learning Year 2 common exception words, prefixes/suffixes and phonic spelling patterns. A list of these can be found in your child's reading log and the words they are focusing on individually.

MATHS:

We follow the White Rose Hub planning for Maths at Ludworth. The units that will be covered this term are:

- Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction



In Mathematics, we will be concentrating on understanding place value of two and three digit numbers as well as knowing and using number facts to develop fluency in addition and subtraction. We will also be focussing on learning and using times tables facts for the 2, 5 & 10s. In Ludworth maths is taught using a variety of methods such as being as active as possible to guide our understanding practically. Basic skills will be taught daily through Maths Mastery session, this allows children to revisit previous learning and strengthen their understanding of number relationships.

DISCOVERY -HISTORY:

Our history focus for the term is 'The Great Fire of London'. We will be learning about what life was like in 1666, using historical sources to find out information, looking at why the fire spread so quickly and learning about how London was rebuilt. We will also be learning about Guy Fawkes and exploring why we celebrate Remembrance.



DISCOVERY -SCIENCE:

This term, in our science lessons, we will be covering 'The uses of Materials' and 'Animals, including Humans.' We will be identifying and comparing materials to gain the knowledge needed to discuss their properties and suitability for different purposes. We will also be conducting an experiment to see what material makes the best bucket (linking to our Great Fire of London topic work).

P.E.

PE days for Year Two are on a Monday (indoor) and a Wednesday (outdoor).



Children should bring their PE kits into school and these will remain in school until half term.

This term we will be developing the children's skills in Dance linked to 'The Great Fire of London' and ball skills with Rugby Rob from Marple Rugby.

CURRICULUM HIGHLIGHTS:

In computing, children will be working on information technology around us. We will be leaning about Judaism this term in R.E. We will be looking to answer the questions "What is Judaism? And what do Jewish people believe?".

In our Art we will be exploring different mark making techniques and collage. We will create a collage to depict a scene from The Great Fire of London.

WEBSITE AND KEY DATES

Keep peeking at our website and please refer to Ludworth Life each week too. It's published on a Friday.

17th October - WALLEN Class Assembly 9.00 am
7th November - SCHUBERT Class Assembly
8th December - Whole School Panto Trip
9th December - Y2 Christmas Priduction

HOME LEARNING:

Please read with your child daily and practise their reading words and common exception words (at the back of their reading logs).
Login to the TTRS for maths games.

LUDWORTH VALUES

We believe that if children can develop and demonstrate our key values, they will fulfill our school ethos of 'Being our Best Selves'. These values are celebrated in our half-termly values assembly.

Adaptability
Independence
Commitment
Problem Solving
Communication
Determination

