ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM FEDERATION



Year 2 Summer 2 Newsletter 2023

Meet the Team



Topic Overview & Key Text

This term we will continue to use a text-based approach to our literacy and topic

lessons. In Summer 2, **Major Glad, Major Dizzy by Jan Oke** will lead our learning.



The story is based on the true discovery of a hidden hoard of Victorian toys under the author's floor. It will introduce some of the milestones of recent British history and interest children in tracing the past through found objects and old photographs.

Maths

This half term we will learn about mass, capacity and temperature, as well as how to read scales. Additionally, we will learn about statistics and length. We will also continue to practise the four operations – add, subtract, multiply and divide and will apply these to reasoning and problemsolving questions.

Writing

We will be working towards writing across different genres, including writing a poem, a setting description and a biography of a local historical figure. As part of this writing journey, we will read and discuss a range of linked texts, including books about Victorian life.

Reading

Most of the children in Year 2 will continue to attend daily reading lessons, where we will look at a text linked to our focused book and start to use our comprehension skills to learn more about reading. Children will also continue with phonics lessons using the Read Write Inc. phonics programme. Your child will be issued with a new reading book every week. Children are expected to read their book at home every day. **Please ensure that your child has their reading book and reading record in their book bag every day.**

Homework

Homework will be set online. We will continue to use SeeSaw to set homework. Homework will be set on a Friday and should be completed by the following Friday. It will include spellings and Maths. Reading should take place each day.

Year 2

We will be continuing with our thematic curriculum that creates meaningful links between the children's learning in English, science, humanities and creative arts with our key text as the main driver.

Science: Children will be learning about animals and their life cycles.

Design Technology: Children will design and make a zoetrope.

History: Children will learn about heroes in our local area, including Elizabeth Gaskell and Emmeline Pankhurst.

PSHE: Children will learn about relationships. **RE:** The children will ask the question 'How should we care for others and the world?'

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Year 2 Routines

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
		PE – please bring correct kit: black shorts or jogging bottoms and the federation PE t- shirt.		Homework

Dates for the Diary

School opens for all pupils on Monday 5th June 2023. Gates will be open from 8:40am.

School closes for the end of half term on **Thursday 20th July 2023** and reopens on **Tuesday 5th September 2023**.