

# Spring 2 Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter

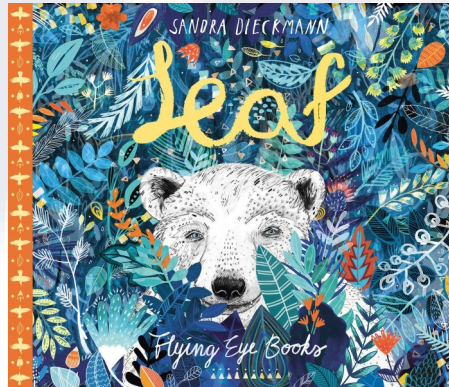
## English

Our learning this half term will link to our topic 'Explorers.'

We will start our learning using the book 'Leaf' by Sandra Dieckmann. The children will read the book and talk about the key themes. We will use the book to write our own stories about animals who appear in different habitats.

The children will develop their reading skills in daily reading lessons where they will focus on the skills of inference and retrieval.

The children will continue to use their phonics knowledge to support them with their writing and will begin to learn about spelling rules.



## Topic

This half term our topic work will link to 'Explorers.'

In Science, the children will learn to about what plants need to grow. We will be conducting experiments to see what happens when seeds do not have the right conditions that they need to grow into a plant.

In Geography, the children will learn about the local area. We will take a walk around the local area to identify key features in the environment. We will use our observations to make our own maps.

In RE, the children will be learning about celebrations. We will talk about celebrations that we have been part of and learn about celebrations that are special to different religions.

In Art, we will be using the work of William Morris to inspire our own artwork, using hand made stencils to create prints.

## Maths

This half term in Year 2, the children will be learning about multiplication and division. The children will learn to use arrays to represent multiplication equations. They will also learn about dividing by making equal groups and sharing equally.

Within our Maths lessons, we will be learning the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

## PE

PE is every **Monday**.

The children should wear their PE kit to school. Their uniform should stay at home on this day. This half term the children will be taught dance by KL Dance Studio. We will also be practising our hand ball skills.

## Homework

The children in Year 2 now have homework packs which include spellings, reading and times tables.

Reading should continue to happen daily for around 20 minutes.

Times tables and spellings are set weekly on a Friday.

Homework packs must be in school on Fridays for new homework to be set.