Writing

In our writing lessons, we will be focusing on securing the basics for sentence writing: capital letters, end stop punctuation, finger spaces and checking for sense.

We will do this through writing a retelling of a story and creating an advert about Stopsley village.

To support your child at home, encourage them to write! The children also love correcting mistakes made by adults!

Science

In Science, the children will learn 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.

PSHE

The children in Year 2 will be learning about friendships and relationships. We will be looking at ways to resolve arguments and disagreements using kind words and working cooperatively.

Phonics and Reading

The children will have daily spelling lessons. This will mostly focus on spelling rules new to the children. This will help the children with their writing.

In Reading lessons, the children will learn about the different reading skills: retrieval, inference, prediction, summarising and understanding vocabulary. You could ask them to tell you about these when you're reading at home.

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Art

In Art, the children will be learning about the artists Matisse and Kandinsky.

We will also be comparing these artists to the work of William Morris and use this as inspiration to create our own printed patterns.

<u>Maths</u>

This half term in Year 2, the children will be learning about place value. They will be identifying the value of tens and ones in a two digit number. The children will be using physical resources to represent numbers.

Having a good understanding of place value enables children to move onto new concepts like addition and subtraction. You could ask your child 'how many tens are there in this number?'

Geography

This half term, the children in Year 2 will be learning about the local area. We will begin by naming the 4 countries of the UK and will then zoom into the geography of Luton. The children will begin to use technical vocabulary to describe key features.

PE

PE is every Monday.

The children should wear their PE kit to school. This half term the children will be having dance lessons with KLDanceStudios and they will practise their hand ball skills in outdoor PE.