

Information for Parents and Carers

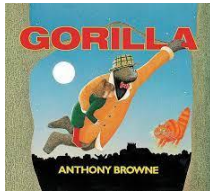
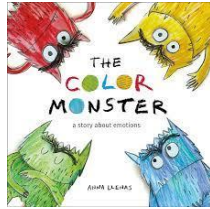
Class 2: Spring Term 2

Why is there a statue of Annie Kenney in Oldham Town Centre?

The focus of this half term's **History** work is to learn about three inspirational women and understand how they have contributed to national and international achievements. Emily Wilding and Annie Kenny were members of the Suffragette Movement who fought for the right of women to vote in Britain and Rosa Parks fought for the equality of African Americans in the USA.

English:

We will be reading a book called 'The Colour Monster' and using ideas in the text to help us write poetry about emotions and feelings. We will also look at a selection of Anthony Browne books beginning with 'Gorilla' to inspire our story writing and to help us write interesting, detailed character and setting descriptions.

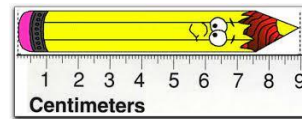


Phonics will be taught in Year 1 and **Spellings** in Year 2 using the 'Essential Letters and Sounds' programme.

Handwriting (learning to write in a cursive style) and **Reading Comprehension** lessons also take place in Y2.

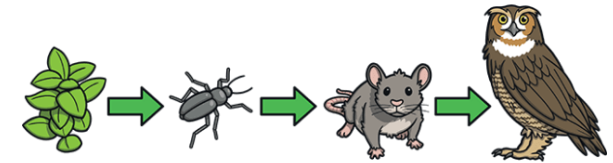
Maths:

In Maths we will be covering the following topics:
Place Value within 50 (Y1)
Statistics (Y2)
Length & Height (Y1&2)
Weight & Volume (Y1)
Mass, Capacity & Temperature (Y2)
We will be using a range of resources and much of our work will involve practical activities to make the lessons fun and enjoyable.



Science:

We shall be learning to understand the differences between things that are living, dead and that have never been alive. We shall be discussing what living organisms need to stay alive and well, and then investigating the habitats they live in. The children will study simple food chains and learn how animals obtain their food.



PE & Games:

This term's PE lessons involve Badminton with the sports coach (Thurs) and Gymnastic Floor Routines (Wed).

Please ensure that your child always has both indoor and outdoor kit in school, as days can change if the hall is booked out or the weather is poor. Long hair must be tied back for safety during the PE lessons.

How you can help at home:

Home Learning will be set on Fridays and should be completed by the following Thursday. It will consist of Mathematics and a set of spelling words for the children to learn ready for a spelling test each Friday. Year 2 will also need to practise their 2, 3, 5 and 10 X tables.

Please ensure your child reads to you regularly and that an adult has written a comment in their reading record. It is important that your child has their reading book in their school bag every day. New reading books will be given for home practice when your child has read with an adult at home and has their previous books to exchange.

Class 2 – Dates for your diary:

- 8th March– Storyteller Visit
- 12th March – Mother's Day Celebration @ Church
- 14th & 19th March – Parent Teacher Meetings
- 22nd March – Easter Bingo Evening
- 28^h March– Outdoor Learning Day

Cross Curricular Learning:

Our **PSHE Ed** topic this half-term is called 'Conflict and Resolution'. In **RE** we will be learning about the Easter story and why Easter is an important time for Christians. The **Music** topic is called 'Round and Round' and we will be learning about pulse, rhythm and pitch through a Bossa Nova Latin Style of Music. We will also be making music in the **Computing** lessons using the ipads. In **Design Technology** we will be designing and making a moving monster.

