



## Chapter 2 Learning Journey

### English

This half term, we are using the books *Grandad's Island* by Benji Davies and *The Three Little Wolves* and the *Big, Bad Pig* by Helen Oxenbury for our learning in English. We will be writing our own return narratives and information texts which use features such as noun phrases, adverbs and possessive apostrophes. We are continuing to practise our comprehension skills in Steps to Read within our Traditional Tales and Poetry unit.

### Geography

The Arctic! Chapter 2 pupils will learn about The Arctic Circle and the countries which extend past that line of latitude. We will explore the human/physical features of The Arctic, the native wildlife, the weather diversity and we will consider how humans/animals have adapted to live temperatures as low as -50 degrees C.

### Spanish

Las Partes del Cuerpo : The topic this half term is 'Parts of the Body'. Pupils will learn body vocabulary and will begin to recognise word gender; masculine and feminine. Pupils will sing songs and repeat rhymes to practise the words and will also learn some directions, in relation to parts of the body; right, left and more.

### Computing

Pupils will progress the knowledge and skills that they have acquired during year 1. They will learn how to copy and paste data between cells and will use more sophisticated tools, such as totalling, to create an ice cream shop spreadsheet that calculates total amounts of ice creams bought. Pupils will then go on to present this data in a graph.

### Physical Education

During this half term, the children in Year 2 will be working together to learn skills implemented in Fundamental Group Games. Each lesson will focus on a specific skill which will then progress to a group game. Some of the skills taught involve rolling and throwing, striking a ball, sending and receiving a ball or object and kicking a ball. Once the skills are taught, the children will then develop their teamwork and communication skills to put what they have learnt into practise. A fun, collaborative and energetic topic!

### Mathematics

This half term, we are learning about money where we focus on skills like making totals using different coins and calculating change. Then, we will start our learning on shape. This will involve identifying features of 2D and 3D shapes and comparing and sorting them according to their properties.

### Religious Education

This half term, the Year 2 children will discover the characteristics of a prophet, including Muhammad, Jesus and Guru Nanak and their importance. They will also look at a number of key stories and scriptures.

### Science

This half term, we will investigate habitats. The pupils will explore a range of animal habitats (a creature's natural home) and we will ask why and how creatures have adapted to their habitats.

### Music: Cracking the Musical Code

Chapter two are combining skills. They are beginning to recognise rhythmic sounds by ear and demonstrating these through movement and sound. They will explore basic staff notation symbols and begin to recognise and organise ta and titi to create short rhythmic compositions.

### Design Technology

This half term, we are exploring vehicles. We will explore different types of vehicles and some of their parts, such as an axis and chassis. We will be moving on to design, create and evaluate our own moving vehicles.

### LC+:Chess

We were fortunate enough to be granted a range of chess equipment and learning resources from CSC Merseyside, and the pupils are very keen to explore the game (or practise their skills). Chapter 2 will learn about a new piece and its movement, each week!

### History

Chapter 2 will be continuing their next History unit next half term.

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