

Curriculum Overview for Year 2 Explorers

- Daily phonics sessions in phased groups.
- Guided reading in small groups at least once a week.
- Handwriting practise – two to three times a week – secure orientation, size and joins.
- Individual reading with class teacher, teaching assistant and student.
- Weekly spelling test on Fridays.



English

- Wk1-2 Non-chronological reports- Christopher Columbus. Writing a message in a bottle. Information page –Neil Armstrong
- Wk3 –6 Stories inspired by an Author
- Texts will include books by Simon Bartrum
 - Dougal's Deep Sea Diary.
 - The Man on the Moon.
 - The Disappearing Moon.
 - A Right Royal Disaster.
 - Clone Chaos.
 - Bob and the Moon Tree Mystery.

Mathematics

- WK1- Number, place value and measures
- WK2 - Measurement – mass
- WK3 - Shape
- WK4 - Counting and money
- WK5- Multiplication – problem solving

- Monday – Reading focus
- Tuesday – Grammar, punctuation and spelling focus
- Wednesday – Short Write
- Thursday – Big Write
- Friday – Spelling and comprehension.
- Homework –Weekly task set from Key Stage One Grammar, Spelling and Punctuation Question Book. Set on Friday return no later than Wednesday.

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Art & Design

- Drawing local landmarks
- Art projects linked to China

Design & Technology

- Design and make a moon buggy
- Using construction kits
- Select appropriate materials and tools
- Make vehicle, modifying and adapting when necessary.
- Evaluating finished product.

Modern Foreign Languages

Tai Chi

Computing

- Computational thinking/programming.
- Safer Internet. Use of Approved websites to research Explorers.

Geography

- Labelling a map of China
- Physical geography of China
- Human geography of China
- Similarities and differences between area in China and similar sized location in the UK.

Music

- This year our class will continue learning to play the recorder. Lancashire Music Service will provide instruments and online tuition which will be led and co-ordinated by Mrs Oaten.

Science

- Not taught this half term

History

- Explorers
- To know what 'exploring' is.
- To find out differences between their lives and people in the past e.g. Columbus.
- To find out about explorers who lived in the past – focus on Columbus and Neil Armstrong
- To recount stories about people in the past and know why they are important.
- To show what they know through role play, speaking, drawing and writing.

Physical Education

- Tai Chi
- Gymnastics taught by South Ribble sports.
- PE is on Monday and Thursday. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school all week and that all items are clearly labelled. Earrings should not be worn for P.E so we advise they should not be worn to school on the day of the lesson.

Religious Education

- Jesus - friend to everyone
- Christian Value: Courage