

 **Reading:** Class Texts: Our texts for this term are; 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark' and then a non-fiction text called 'Big Cats'. We will be developing the children's word reading, comprehension and discussion in groups, and with the teachers.

**Guided Reading-** Within our guided reading sessions, we will continue to use our phonic knowledge to decode words and developing the fluency of the children's reading. We will look at a variety of genres to broaden the children's experiences of texts.

 **Writing:** We will be studying 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark' this first few weeks. This will include researching the common barn owl and writing effective sentences for our stories developing adverbs, dialogue, onomatopoeia and personification. We will then look at non-fiction texts on Big Cats and write non-chronological reports, looking at headings and sub headings, labels and captions.

 **History:** After half term, we will be looking at 'Technology'. This unit looks at the changes in technology over the past 60 years. We will begin by thinking about the term 'technology' and what that means. We will then consider the technology that we use in our everyday lives. We will make comparisons between technology of the past and the modern day, thinking about how our lives have changed with the advances in technology.

 **Geography:** Our new topic is Oceans and Continents. During this topic, we will be looking at the location of the continents and how they are made up as well as the physical and human features of the continents. We will also find out about the different seas and oceans which continents they link.

 **RE:** Within RE we will be studying 'What do Muslims believe?' and the Christian celebration of Easter. This will include looking at the different beliefs and rituals that the two religions celebrate.

 **Homework and Expectations:**  
Reading: 5 times a week as per home/school agreement. This will be monitored on Fridays and children will be rewarded. Books are changed on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Spellings: Given out weekly, tested on Fridays.

Homework: Handed out at the end of the week, due in the following Thursday.

 **Science:** We will be focusing on looking at living things and their habitats, including polar, desert, ocean and woodland environments. We will then move onto exploring what conditions plants need to survive and carrying out an investigation into whether they grow healthier in the light or dark.

 **Computing:** This half term begins with our topic of Spreadsheets. The children will be following the Purple Mash scheme of work. They can also access Purple Mash at home using the format: Initial and surname (i.e. Hbowcock) password: pink.

 **PSHE:** During this first half term, we will continue to look at Health and Wellbeing before moving on to Safety and the Changing Body.

## Year 2 Spring Term 2026

 **Visits/Events:**

TBC



**Challenge:** Our topic is Oceans and Continents. Can you find out any super facts about our this to go on our topic board? Dojos will be given out for the best facts!

 **Our Staff:**

Mrs Bowcock/Mrs Carpenter - Class teachers.

Miss Wilkinson - Teaching Assistant.

 **Maths:** We will start the term finishing our 2D and 3D shape topic. We will then look at multiplication and division and the methods we use to solve these calculations. All our investigations will follow concrete, pictorial and abstract methods. As always, we are continuously working on our number bonds to 10 and our 2, 5 and 10 times tables to ensure these are embedded by the end of Year 2.

 **Art:** Our first topic will teach the children to explore and create maps through various art forms, replicating the features of a map in a stained glass and in a print with simple lines and shapes. After half term, we will move onto sculpture, using clay to create a tile in the design of a house.

 **D&T:** We will return to DT after half-term, looking at the role of levers, linkages and pivots. We will use our knowledge of these functions to design and assemble a moving monster.

 **Music:** Our spring units will focus on themes of how we can invent a musical story and how music can make us happy. Each lesson, we will focus on listening and performing by singing or playing the glockenspiel.

 **PE:** Our PE day is a Wednesday afternoon. During this time, the children spend a session with Mrs Carpenter continuing our dance module before moving onto gymnastics, and a session with Mrs Pearson doing football. The children will work on basic movements before applying these in a range of football related games. The children will take part in team games whilst developing simple tactics for attacking and defending. Please send your child in correct PE kit.

 **Year 2 News:**

Happy New Year! We hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas break and enjoyed lots of quality family time together. Sincerest thank you for all our lovely Christmas cards and presents, you are all so kind.

Welcome to the Spring term, we cannot believe we are nearly halfway through the year!

We are in the process of booking this term's trip and details will follow in due course.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support last term with your children's reading and homework. It is much appreciated - please keep it up!