



Gisburn Road CP School

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Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter - Summer Term 2

Welcome to our final busy half term Screech Owls

We hope that you had a good break and weren't too disappointed by the weather. We were hoping for a bit of rain as our seedlings are now outside, both in the allotment and in the beds in the infant playground. Hopefully we will be enjoying a harvest before we finish for the summer holidays.



To keep up to date with what is going on in school and events we would like you to attend, please follow the link below. This takes you to our 'What's on' calendar.

<https://www.gisburnroad.com/CALENDAR>

If you have any concerns, please come in and talk to us.

Mr Browne and Mrs Ormerod

What will we be learning this Term?

Our theme this half term will be 'Buckets and Spades'. We will be learning about seaside holidays in the past and comparing these to holidays now. We will be going on our trip to Blackpool and going to the top of the tower, followed by exploring the beach at Lytham St. Annes. While we are there, we will create sand art in the style of Marc Treanor and Andres Amador.



If you have any questions, or feel you would like to come in and help, please pop in and see us.

Dates

Wednesday 12th June

Trip to Blackpool

Friday 28th June

Gisburn Road 'Farmers' Market' event on the Town Square, Barnoldswick

Monday 15th July

Parents' Evening drop-in 4-6:30pm

Tuesday 23rd July

School closes for summer holiday at 2pm

PE and Swimming

This half term Year 2 will be going swimming on **Tuesdays**. Please make sure you have returned the permission letter to school. We will be doing PE on Wednesday. As the weather improves, we will be doing more P.E. outside. Please make sure your child has appropriate footwear (pumps for indoors - trainers for outdoors) in their P.E. bags and of course their swimming things on Tuesdays.

Home learning

This half term's home learning will be stuck in our home learning books soon. Remember the tasks can be completed in any order.

Home Reading.

The school reading scheme book will be changed twice a week. However, we want to foster a love for reading and encourage you to read your favourite books at home too. Please read with your child every night for at least 10 minutes.

What will Year 2 be doing over 2016-2017?

Below is a brief overview of the curriculum which Year 2 will be completing over the year.

Autumn 1st Half Term The Place Where I Live



A theme based on the history and geography of the school and surrounding locality. We hope to be going on walks around Barnoldswick, using maps and looking for clues about Barnoldswick's past.



Autumn 2nd Half Term Fighting Fit

Here we will be looking at what humans need to survive and what we do to stay healthy. We will also be practising our drawing skills and using clay.

Spring 1st Half Term Explorers

A half term looking at two famous people, Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong. We will be using wheels and axles in DT and will be introducing computer programming to the children.



Spring 2nd Half Term The Farm Shop

This is when we will look at the food we eat and growing our own vegetables. We will be looking where our food comes from and exploring the principles of a healthy diet.



Summer 1st Half Term Wind in the Willows

First of all we will be looking at living things around us and introducing habitats to the children. We will explore living things around school, before moving further afield.



Summer 2nd Half Term Buckets and Spades

In the final half term we will look how seaside holidays have changed over time, as well as using the seaside to basis for our artwork.