



# Half Term Curriculum Overview

Year 2 Autumn 2 - 2018

## English

In English we will be looking at:

- Rapunzel; exploring traditional tales and having a go at writing our own version of the well-known story.
- The Three Billy Goats Gruff; looking at non-fiction texts and writing complaint letters from the misunderstood troll.
- One Snowy Night; focussing on different literary features such as speech and sentence types.

We will also be writing our own information poster on a famous structure in the UK.

## Physical Education

In outdoor P.E we are learning all about body Awareness, Balance, and Co-ordination (ABC). During our indoor sessions we will be exploring the circus through dance.

## Creative Arts

This term we are very lucky to be joined by students from West Herts College, who will be leading singing and drama sessions with Year 2.

The students have also taken on the task of helping to support the Christmas production, which we will begin practicing mid-November.

## Science, Topic, Art and DT, ICT

Science:

We will be looking at **Everyday Materials** and exploring their properties, investigating which materials are best for which use.

Topic:

Our topic this term is **Towers, Tunnels and Turrets**. We will be going back in time to find out all about castles and exploring castle life. We will also be finding out about Brunel and his amazing structures around the world.

Art and DT:

We will take inspiration from the famous artist Andy Goldsworthy and try our hands at bridge building!

ICT:

This term is all about researching, and how to use the internet safely to find out information.

## Mathematics

The main areas we will be covering in maths this term will include:

- Mental addition and subtraction
- Finding part or whole of an unknown
- Comparison, including money and measurements

We will also be touching on shape and fractions in our new Maths Meetings which will include plenty of quick fire questions and maths games to keep our brains busy!

## PSHE and RE

PSHE: Our theme this term is Celebrating Difference, and how to be a good friend.

R.E: We will be looking at different faith celebrations including Diwali and Hanukah.

## Homework

- **Homework:** The new homework grid will be sent out after half term. Children can choose five pieces to complete and this will be due in **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December**.
- **Spellings:** A booklet will be given out with new spellings to be learnt weekly.
- **Reading:** Please read every day at home. Books will be changed as required.