

**Cheetwood Community Primary School**  
**Year 2: Curriculum News – Summer Term 2 2022**  
**Class Teacher: Mrs Green**  
**Teaching Assistant: Ms Davies**

**This half term in Year 2 your child will be learning the following:**

**English – Areas of Study:** Phonics, reading comprehension, guided reading, literacy writing, grammar and punctuation, spellings and speaking and listening.

**Fiction Unit: Stories on a theme:**

Explore stories written around the theme 'About The Wild'. The children will compare different stories and learn about how they add excitement and create interest when writing their own stories by using a range of sentence types and vocabulary.

**Non-fiction unit:** We will be studying a range of information texts on dinosaurs. The children will compare fiction and non-fiction texts, before learning the features of a non-chronological report on dinosaurs.

**Poetry unit:** Poems on a theme: Happiness. The children will explore and compare a range of poetry, using it as inspiration to write their own.

**How you can support your child:**

- Encourage your child to read a range of fiction stories and think about who their favourite author is and why they like their books.
- Discuss with your child the features of fiction and non-fiction texts.
- Listen to your child read a variety of texts at home including poetry, newspapers and magazines and ask them questions about what they have read.
- Encourage your child to create their own stories or tell you a story that they know.
- Encourage your child to talk about their books and complete book activities such as book reviews and character descriptions.
- Test your child on their half termly spellings and their definitions.

**To help your child to improve their reading, encourage them to read at least three times a week and get their reading record signed each time.**

**Maths – Areas of Study** –The maths curriculum this half term covers calculation, time, fractions and a general revision of all key areas of Mathematics.

**How you can support your child:**

- Practise mental maths skills at home regularly, particularly times tables. The children will be tested on their knowledge of times tables.
- Encourage your child to use maths in everyday life. For example, counting out money, reading bus or television timetables, sharing out treats equally or weighing out ingredients.
- Help them to complete their maths homework.
- Practise counting on and back in 2s, 5s and 10s.

### **Art Unit: Art & Design Skills**

- Study clay and how it can be used to create a sculpture.
- Research weaving and try the technique to create their own artwork.
- Drawing and shading.

### **Design and Technology Unit: Mechanisms and Axles**

- Investigate different mechanisms and use a variety of materials.
- Create their own moving vehicles and evaluate them.

### **Science - Areas of Study: Exploring Everyday Materials**

- Sorting and classifying different materials.
- Distinguish between natural and man-made materials.
- Investigate the differences between materials that can change their shape.

### **History - Seaside Holidays**

- Identify features of a seaside holiday.
- Use photographs of sources to gain information about the past.
- Find out what holidays were like 100 years ago.

### **Geography - At the Farm**

- Explore the features of a farm.
- Consider why they are important.
- Explore how seasons affect life on the farm.
- Compare life on a farm to life in a city.

### **PE: Every Friday**

**Please send your child in full PE kit on this day. They do not need to wear school uniform**

As pupils are not permitted to wear any jewellery for PE it helps if earrings and other jewellery are not worn to school on your child's PE day.

### **Homework:**

**Each week your child will be set the following activities - either on Google Classroom and occasionally on printed copies sent home.**

- A short piece of Maths and English homework - this needs to be returned by Wednesday.
- A set of spellings to be learnt for a weekly test.
- Times tables.

### **Online Learning:**

- We have links on our Google Classroom for relevant curriculum areas and will be adding to these across the half term.

**Contact: You can contact me at the following email address:**

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