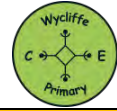


Year 2 Newsletter

Summer 2 2024



All Different – All Equal



Year 2 Chestnut & Elm



Who was Queen Elizabeth II's great, great grandmother and what was it like during her reign?



English

First of all, we will write an alternative ending for the Grotlyn using all of the grammar features we have learnt in Year 2. After this, we will be creating some riddles about Victorian inventions.



Maths

To begin with, we will revisit some areas of Maths to deepen our understanding in preparation for Year 3. This will include, an introduction to the column method and a re-cap of number bonds to 100. Next we will explore statistics, focussing on creating and interpreting bar charts and pictograms in particular. We will also look at using a tally chart to record data. Throughout the term, we will continue to recall multiplication and division facts for the 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables.

Fruit	Tally	
apple	III I	6
strawberry	IIII II	7
banana	IIII III	8
orange	IIII I	4
grapes	IIII	5

HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY

Our big question 'Who was Queen Elizabeth II's great, great grandmother and what was it like when she reigned?' continues this half term. Throughout the rest of this topic, we will learn about the history of Saltaire and how this fits in with the Victorian Era, life for children in a Victorian school and a look at who has reigned in our country since Queen Victoria.



Science

PLANTS IS OUR NEW AREA OF LEARNING IN SCIENCE. WE ARE VERY EXCITED TO SPEND SOME TIME IN OUR SCHOOL GARDEN OBSERVING AND NAMING PLANTS. WE WILL LEARN HOW TO TAKE CARE OF PLANTS BY CARRYING OUT OUR OWN INVESTIGATIONS. AS WELL AS THIS, WE WILL THINK ABOUT HOW THE SEASONS EFFECT WHAT WE CAN GROW. OUR FOCUS SCIENTIST IS A VICTORIAN BOTANIST CALLED JOSEPH BANKS.



PE

PE will continue to be taught on Mondays and Fridays. New learning will teach us how to play rounders and we will be getting involved in some outdoor and adventurous games too!



DT

Year 2 will be taking their hand to sewing this half term to create their own Victorian Sampler. This will involve learning some simple embroidery techniques.

PSHE

'How do we recognise our feelings?' is our new big question. Within this unit, we will learn all about how people respond differently to situations and how these different situations effect our own feelings. Learning tips to recognise and manage our feelings will be an important part of our learning too.



RE

Our big question is 'Who is a Muslim and what do they believe?' We will learn all about the religion of Islam, beliefs and traditions which we will be sharing during our faith assembly.



Music

We will continue to learn a song about the Victorians. Alongside this, we will learn about John Williams and his famous pieces.

Computing

In Computing, we will continue to design algorithms by learning how to program our own quiz.

French

In French, we will learn numbers to 5.



Reading

Please keep reading anything and everything you can alongside your school reading book. Record any reading that you do in the homework diary. In school, we will read with your child at least once a week. We would love it if you could read on a daily basis. Continue to use Accelerated Reader for reading and book quizzes.

Homework

Weekly spelling tests will continue to be on a Friday. Spelling Frame can be accessed to support you with your spellings at home. Continue to practice the weekly 'Learn by Hearts' and access Times Table Rock Stars. Your 'Victorian Era' homework is due in for Monday 1st July. Thank you to those of you who have already completed this.