



# Year 2 Autumn 1 Curriculum Overview

## Topic Overview

Welcome back to a new school year! The children are settling in really well and we are proud of their enthusiasm to learn. This half term we have lots of exciting learning planned. We start by thinking about ourselves and how everybody is special in their own unique way. We will then move onto a Science theme when we go on our school trip to Swanwick Lakes Nature Reserve! This is a fabulous chance to explore different habitats (including some pond dipping!) and learn about a variety of animals.

## Core Subjects

**English** (writing) - What is a noun? Writing sentences using conjunctions such as 'and', 'because', 'so'. We will keep working on our handwriting through Kinetic Letters.

**English** (reading) - We will re-visit some of the phonics skills learnt in Year 1 and begin to transfer these skills into our writing. We will read in groups and develop our comprehension skills such as making inferences about a character, re-telling part of a story and predicting what will happen next.

**Maths** - Ordering numbers up to 100, comparing numbers (greater than and less than), adding and subtracting, simple fractions and multiplication.

## Foundation Subjects

**Computing** - Staying safe on the internet

**P4C ideas** — What makes me, me? What makes a good friend? Can any animal live anywhere?

**PSHE**— Changes in my life

**PE** - Multi skills and team building games. (Thursday & Friday afternoons)

**Art and DT** - A focus on the artist Henri Rousseau

**Geography**—Name and locate the seven continents and the five seas. Looking at aerial maps and finding our school and where we live.

## Homework

**Reading regularly is the most important homework of all in Year 2.**

Please listen to your child read **5 times a week** and ensure reading records are always in bookbags. We will collect them in on a Monday and Thursday to check for messages. Children who read 5 times will have their name put up on our 'Reading Champions' board.

Please practice your child's teddy words when they have been allocated.

**Other homework may be set according to need throughout the year.**

Please let us know if you would like any further information about our Year Group learning. We have an 'open door' and are more than happy to talk anything through at the end of the day.

**Class Teachers -**

**2AH:** Mrs Hughes (Mon-Wed) Mrs Riley (Thurs-Fri)

**2W:** Miss Watts

**Year Group LSAs** - Miss Clarke, Mrs Newbrook, Mrs Barber

**PE Days** - Thursday and Friday afternoons.

**Trips and Visitors**

Swanwick Lakes Nature Reserve (24th September—A LETTER WILL FOLLOW)