

**Year 2
Summer 1
2023**

Walkley Primary School Curriculum

'Enjoyment, Achievement and Learning for life...'



Newsletter

Key Information and Dates

Gruffalos have PE on Mondays and Thursdays.

Smartest Giants have PE on Mondays and Fridays. Please remember to wear your PE kit to school on these days.

Luckily year 4 allowed us to use 2 of their days this week to make up for missing some last term.

Forest School week for year 2 – week beginning 22nd May 2023.

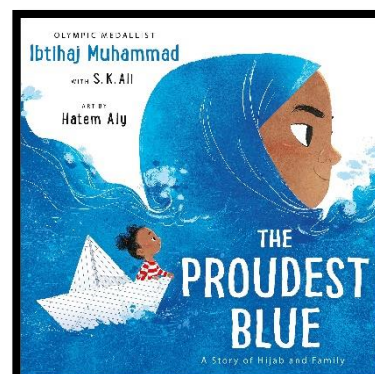
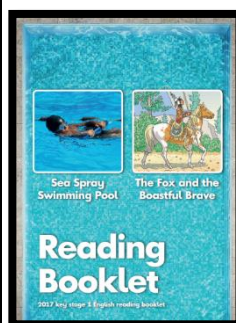
Please remember to take home your child's Forest school clothes at the end of the week.



RWI and Star Group

In Star Group we will be reading and learning to understand the meaning of words in context, drawing on inference to explain what's been read, justify understanding, predict from details stated and implied, retrieve information from non-fiction, summarise main ideas, evaluate the use of language and make comparisons of texts. We will be practising our Secret Agent Training with high quality texts such as Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad and some previous years SATs reading texts.

In Read Write Inc. the children will be continuing to learn their phonics in order to consolidate their reading skills and the writing will be a range of genres linked to their reading book.



Science

In science, we are learning about Materials and then we will move onto learning about plants. This will cover what plants need to be healthy and how plants grow from a seed. Also we will explore seed dispersal and how plants adapt to their environment.

Maths

In Maths this half-term we will be making our first foray into Statistics

- Tally Charts
- Tables
- Block diagrams
- Pictograms

We will also be revising our four operations in readiness for the SATs.

History

Over the last century certain individuals have stood up for their rights as human beings and have demanded that they be treated fairly. Their words and actions have inspired many people around the world to make the world a better place. In this topic, children will learn about the lives of some significant individuals, what they did to stand up for their rights and how the world has been changed because of their actions.

We will be learning that computers don't have a brain and we control them by giving them instructions; these instructions are called algorithms; the instructions in an algorithm need to be clear and unambiguous; importance of planning the algorithm before programming; how to control the turtle in Logo/program a sprite in Scratch Jr. and how to find and correct mistakes (debugging) in your program.

Computing

Religious Education

We are learning to understand why Muslims visit the mosque and to explore whether this gives them a sense of belonging. To help explore this theme we will have a guest speaker from the Muslim community in school answering questions and year 2 will in Summer 2 visit a local Mosque.

As part of our online safety curriculum we will discuss how people need to get the correct balance of time spent online and offline. We need to learn why we shouldn't share personal information, understand that people online are strangers if we don't know them in real life.

Citizenship

Music

In Giants, they will be continue their recorder lessons delivered by the Sheffield music hub (inspired by the amazing Gruffalo performance), whilst the Gruffalos are learning 'I wanna play in a band' by Joanna Mangona.

Home Learning

Home learning will be set on a Friday to be completed by the following Wednesday. Children will be given a sequence of 6 activities to complete one each week to consolidate and extend the learning within the geography and history unit.

Children will have weekly spellings set to learn on Spelling Shed which follow the spelling pattern that will have been taught in school. These will be tested in school on Friday.

Children will also be set a google quiz as their maths homework – children can access this using their Google Classroom account.

We also ask that children read regularly at home – please complete the home school reading record when your child reads at home.



PE

This term year 2 has athletics where pupils will develop skills required in activities such as running at different speeds, jumping and throwing. Pupils will engage in performing skills, measuring performance, competing to improve on their own score and against others. They will work collaboratively as well as independently.