

**Year 2
Spring 1
2023**

Walkley Primary School Curriculum

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



Newsletter

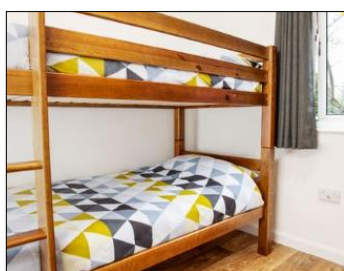
Key Information and Dates

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.

Forest School week for year 2 – week beginning 30th January 2023

Don't forget! Kingswood Residential will be Thursday 9th and Friday 10th of February.



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 looking at high quality texts such as Charles Perrault's "Little Red Riding Hood", "The Twits" by Roald Dahl and "One Snowy Night" by Nick Butterworth.

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 continuing to learn about animals including humans. We will be thinking about the life cycle of a human, the basic needs all animals need to survive and looking at the importance of staying healthy, thinking about exercise, hygiene and having a healthy diet.

Maths

In Maths this half-term we will be making our first foray into multiplication and division.

- Using arrays
- Making equal groups
- The 2, 5 and 10 times-table
- Dividing by 2, 5 and 10
- Doubling and halving
- Odd and even numbers

Geography	<i>Now our history topic is finished we will be starting Geography. We will be comparing London to Tokyo by looking at key human and physical features. We will also compare the similarities and differences between the Japanese and British Royal families.</i>
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<i>Children will be learning to independently plan out and create a branching database, and evaluate a given branching database and suggest improvements. They will also learn how to recognise what personal information is, e.g. name, image, and the need to keep it private.</i>	Computing
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Religious Education	<i>The children will learn about Judaism, specifically about the theme of 'Passover'. They will be exploring how celebrating Passover helps Jews show God they value their special relationship with him.</i>
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<i>This term we will be thinking about these key questions: What makes a boy or a girl? How do bodies change as we get older? When should I say no? Who owns my body? – I do! Are all families the same?</i>	Citizenship
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Music	<i>In Gruffalos, they will be continuing their brilliant recorder lessons delivered by the Sheffield music hub, whilst the Giants are learning 'Friendship Song' by Joanna Mangona and Pete Readman. These activities will help the children learn and build on their knowledge and understanding about the interrelated dimensions of music.</i>
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PE	<i>In Invasion games the children will learn the principles of defending and attacking. They will use and develop skills such as sending and receiving with both feet and hands, as well as dribbling with both feet and hands. They will also be learning a dance linked to the topic of 'Japan' with Dazzle Dance Amy!</i>
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Home Learning	
<i>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.</i> <i>Children will also be set a google quiz as their maths homework – children can access this using their Google Classroom account.</i> <i>We also ask that children read regularly at home – please complete the home school reading record when your child reads at home.</i>	

