

Year 2 Newsletter



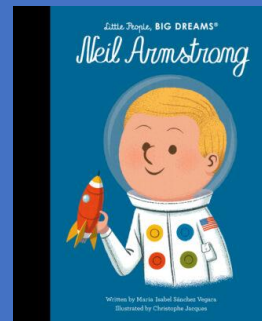
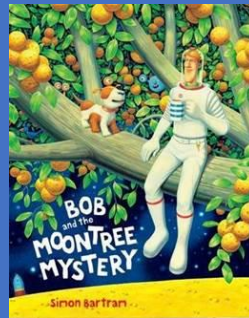
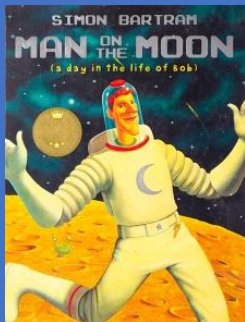
Aldwyn Primary School - Every Child a Success

Summer Term 2

Monday 10th June – Friday 26th July 2024

Our topic theme for this half term is called “Out of this World!”

What will we read this half term ?



To promote our love of reading, we will be visiting the school library each week to choose/swap a book. These books will be kept in school for the time being and we will be able to enjoy them in class.

What will we learn this half term?

Please note that all of the Curriculum Overviews for each subject can be found on the school website. These contain detailed outlines of the coverage and rationales for teaching. Please take time to read them.

English

We will be reading a fantastic story called “Bob and the Moontree Mystery” written by Simon Bartram. He has written a series of books all about Bob. Bob is everyone’s favourite man on the moon, follow him on his crazy adventures. Bob knows everything there is to know about the moon and space, but a new tree that has started growing on the moon has him baffled. Where could it have come from? What type of tree is it? We are going to be using this book to inspire us to write our own non-chronological reports which include lots of different facts about the moon and space. We will have other shorter writing opportunities too, to focus on sentence structure, developing our vocabulary and using descriptive language. We will also be looking at the “Little People, Big Dreams” book all about the space explorer, Neil Armstrong.

Maths

In maths, over the next few weeks, we will learn how to:

Tell the time

- Tell the time to o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to
- Tell the time past the hour
- Tell the time to the hour
- Tell the time to 5 minutes
- How many minutes in hour/How many hours in a day



Statistics

- Make tally charts
- Draw and read tables
- Block diagrams
- Draw and interpret pictograms

Position and Direction

- Language of position
- Describe movement and turns
- Make shape patterns with turns

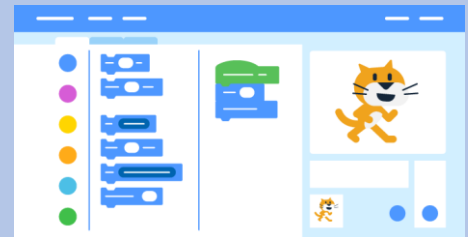
Research Topic

In Geography, we will be learning about and comparing life in Zambia to our life in England. Lessons will cover,

- Introduction to Zambia
- Where is Mugurameno?
- Living near a river
- Living with animals
- Food
- A safe home
- School
- Shopping and recycling

Computing

Our Computing lessons will be delivered by Mr Goodier on Tuesday mornings. We will be learning to code using the software "Scratch". We will build on our knowledge of coding from previous lessons.



Art

Our Art topic this half term is called "Craft and Design - Map it out" Lessons will cover;

- Creative journey – to investigate maps as a stimulus for drawing.
- Making felt – to learn and apply the steps of the felt making process.
- Abstract maps – to experiment with a craft technique to develop an idea.
- Print possibilities – to develop ideas and apply craft skills when print making.
- Gallery Experience – to present artwork and evaluate it against a design brief.

PSHE

Our PSHE topic this half term is called "Changing Me". We will learn to;

- Understand that everyone is unique and special
- Express how we feel when change happens
- Understand and respect the changes we see in ourselves and others
- Know who to ask for help if we are worried about change
- Looking forward to change

Music

In Music this half term, we will be exploring simple patterns, focusing on dynamics and tempo. We will have the opportunity to listen to songs, compose, practise and perform music, as well as exploring some percussion instruments.

PE

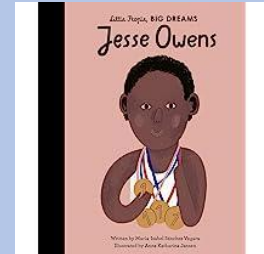
In PE this half term our topic is called "Locomotion" We will be developing our athletic skills of jumping, running and throwing. Inspired by our sporting activities, we will read the story of the famous Olympian Jesse Owens and discuss how he had the personal strength and determination to become the best. We will learn what it takes to be a successful leader and team player and what makes a good team. PE lessons will take place with Mr Cole on Mondays.

Indoor PE kit

- White T-shirt (plain)
- Black shorts
- Pumps or trainers with non-marking sole for indoor games
- Bare feet for gymnastics

Outdoor PE kit

- White T-shirt (plain)
- Black shorts
- Trainers



PE kits can be kept in your child's locker for the half term and can be taken home for the holidays to be washed.

Design and Technology

Our topic this half term is called "Textiles – Pouches". We will be learning about;

- A running stitch
- To sew using a running stitch
- Making a pouch
- Decorating a pouch

Homework

Homework will be given each week to consolidate learning. It will be handed out on Fridays and is due back in the following Friday. All children are expected to read to an adult each night for around 10 minutes. Your child should also know their TTRockstars and Numbots login, so they can practise times tables and number skills at home.

Thank you

We really look forward to the term ahead. If you need to get in touch, please write a note in your child's reading record, or speak to a member of staff on the door at pick up or drop off time.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Miss Haygarth and Miss Manning (Year 2 Teachers)