

Winterbourne Nursery and Infant School
*Inspire – Learn -
Be Proud*

Welcome parents and carers

Year 2

*Topics and coverage during
the Autumn 2 half term.*



This is where we are right now.

Year 2 Topics

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
					
Muck, Mess and Mixtures	Hardworking Humans	Fire! Fire!	Street Detectives	Sand, Sea and Sun	Joyful Journeys

Our current topic

Hard working Humans

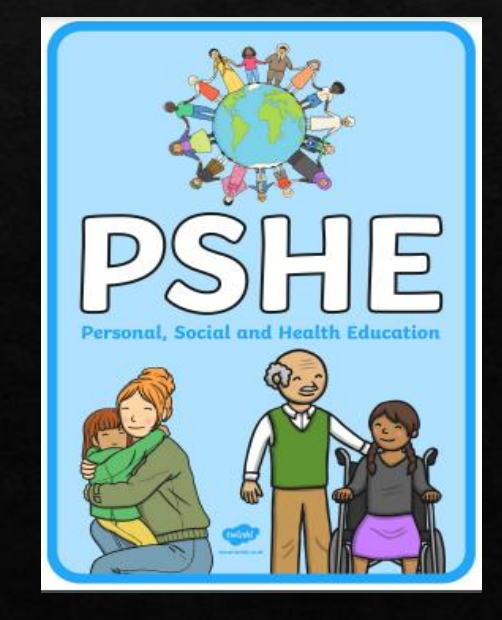
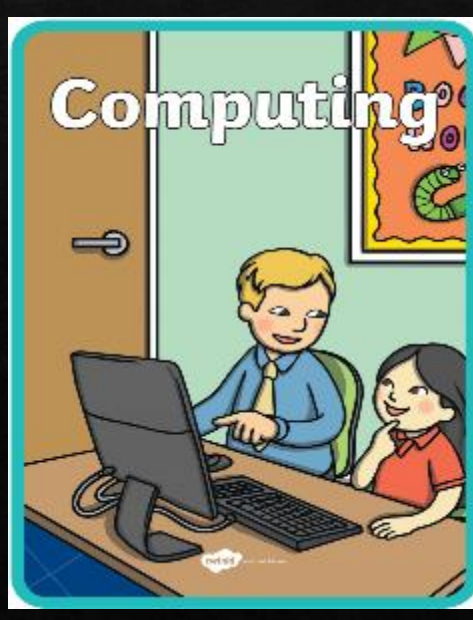
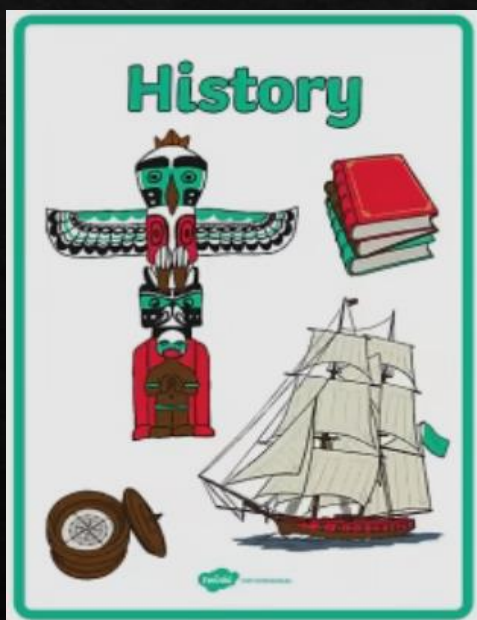
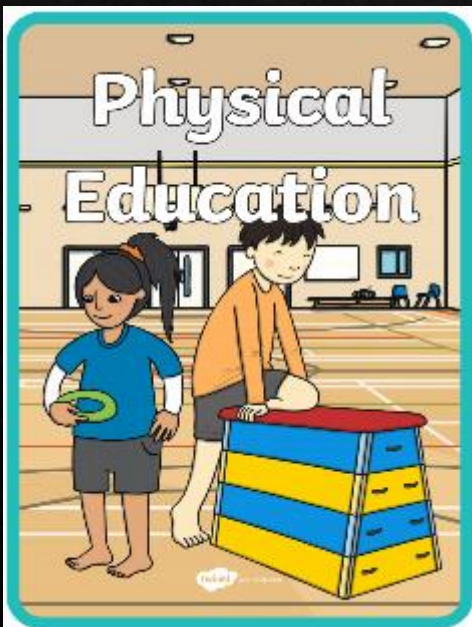
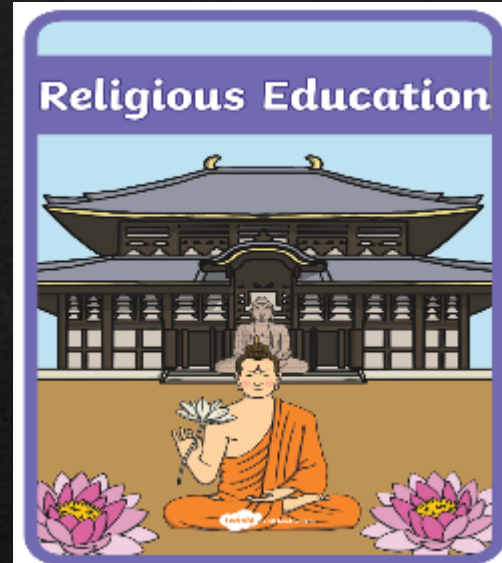
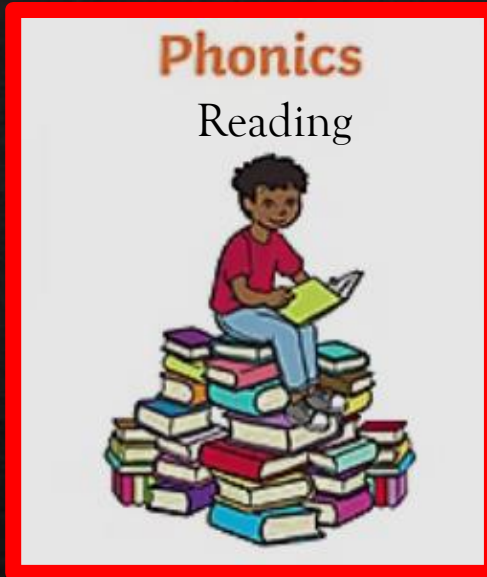
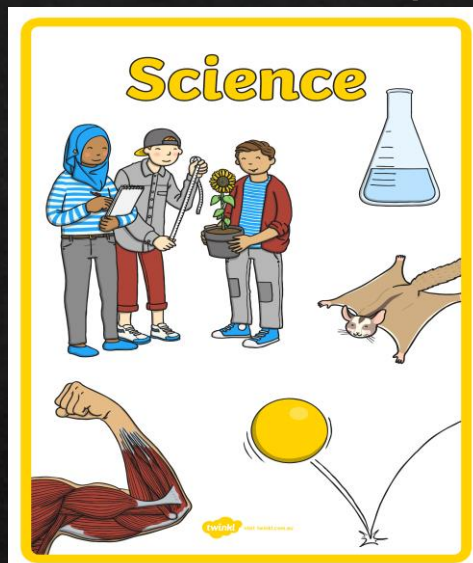
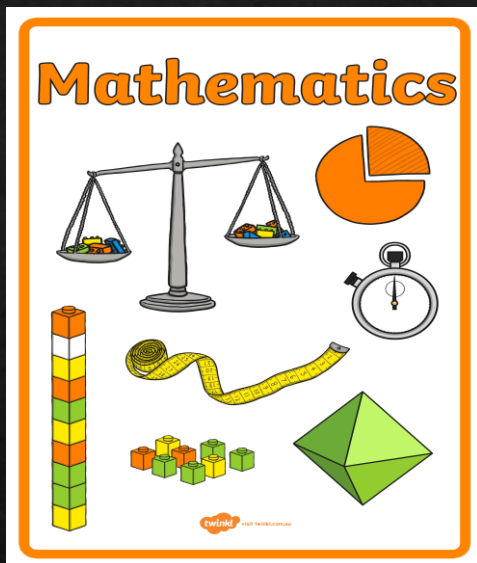
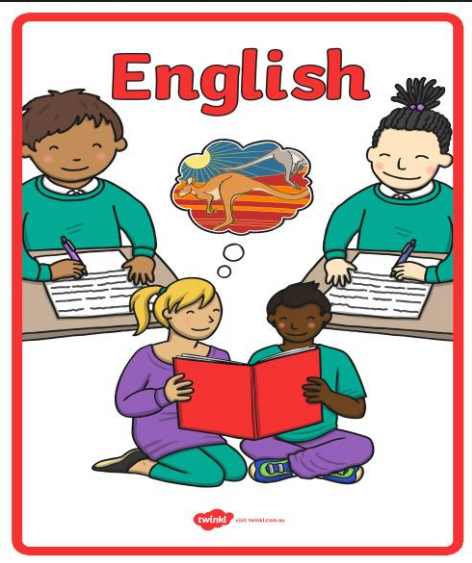


We use this topic to support teaching in all areas of the curriculum.

In this topic the children will be exploring:

- The history of the Windrush Generation (History).
- Listen to range to music and learn new dance styles such as tap dancing, ballet and modern (Music).
- Sketch a picture of a significant individual (Art).

This term these are the subjects that are taught within the school day



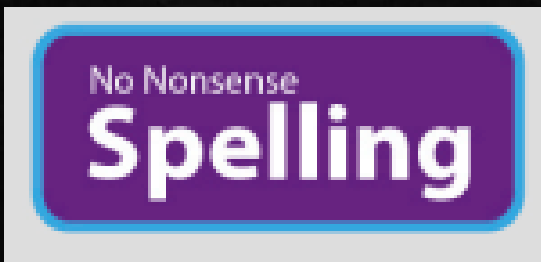
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We will be reading the story 'Malala's Magic Pencil' by Malala Yousafzai.

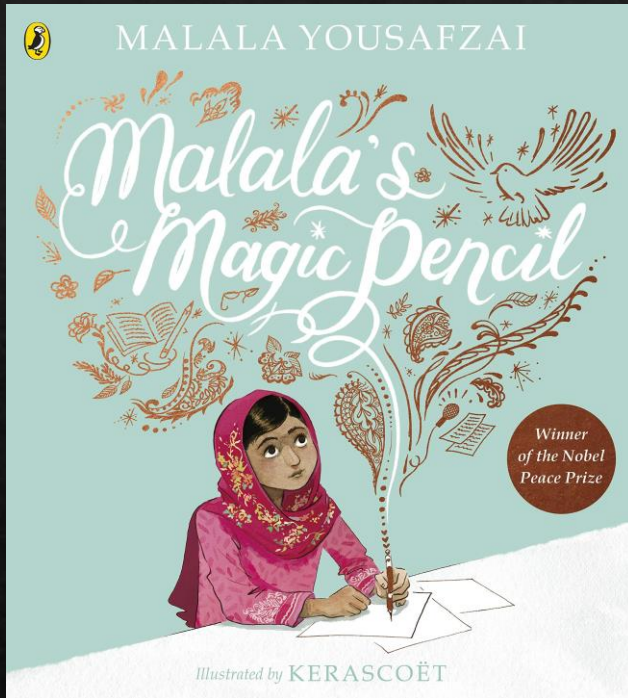
Character description

The children will be learning the features of a character description ; how to use adjectives effectively, creating expanded noun phrases and writing in the third person.

This term we will be following 'No nonsense spelling' and learning new strategies to spell more High frequency and Common exception words.



Our reading focus is using the text to find the answer to literal questions.



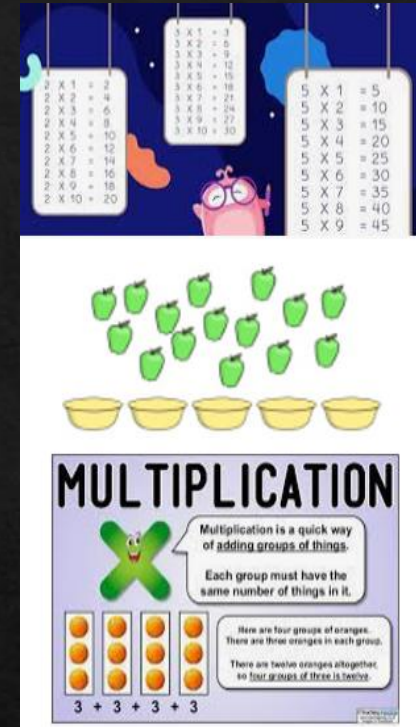
Maths

Multiplication, division and

We will be exploring different methods of solving multiplication and division.

The children will use their knowledge of number to recall doubles to 20, use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables, including recognising odd & even numbers. They will also learn to calculate mathematical statements for multiplication and division writing them using the appropriate signs.

Vocabulary: Multiply, multiples, equal groups, groups of, repeated additions, arrays.
Divide, division, odd, even, share, equal groups of



Science

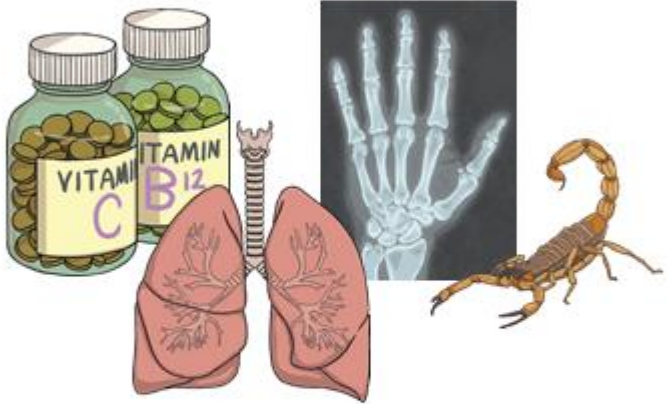
Animals including humans

Human focus

We will be exploring the basic needs of humans.

The children will understand that human offspring will grow into adults, how humans survive, the importance of a healthy diet, exercise and importance.

Animals Including
Humans



Science – Year 2 – Autumn 1

life cycle	humans	baby	toddler	teenager	adult
elderly	healthy	eating	hygiene	exercise	
carbohydrates		vitamins	protein		fats
energy		dairy		germs	bacteria

History

Hardworking Humans



History – Year 2 – Autumn 2

Windrush, change, discover, significant, Caribbean, Britain, England, invent, transform, Queen Elizabeth II

The History of the Windrush Generation

We will be exploring and discussing the significant individuals who made changes to our country after World War II.

During this topic the children will be going on a trip to the Windrush Legacy Association in Croydon to compare how people lived in the past to now. The children will also compare experiences of themselves or family members coming to England.

Hardworking Humans



Art – Year 2 - Autumn 2

Drawing, techniques, mediums, sketching, materials, curved, lines, zig-zag, tones, expressions, shapes, observations, colour, tones, mix, primary colours, artists, influential, portrait, busts, stimulus, cross-hatching, texture

Art

Sketching and drawing

This term the children will be different styles of sketching to a portraits of important individuals.

Children will using different materials, different types of paper and sizes of paper whilst learning how to draw from different angles.

RE

Festivals of Light - Diwali, Hanukkah and Christmas

In R.E the children similarities and differences between three different religions: Christianity, Hinduism and Judaism.

They will be explaining what they think are the important things about these festivals and why.

(Our school used the 'Croydon Agreed Syllabus' to support the teaching of RE)

Festival of Light



Key vocabulary

Festival, lights, Diwali, Hanukkah, Christmas, Hindu, Jewish, Christians

Physical Education (PE)



This half term the children will learn skills in **-Throwing and Catching**

- Controlled form
- Knowing positions

Children will learn how to:

- To show good levels of hand eye coordination when throwing/ catching.
- To have an understanding of different muscles in use when balancing different ways.
- To be able to show different types of movement to throw and catch.



Music



This half term the focus is **Christmas Music**.

The children will learn-

- Identify and name instruments, how to play them - tap/shake/scrape etc.
- Identify different types of musical instruments heard in Christmas music.
- To use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes

Save the date:

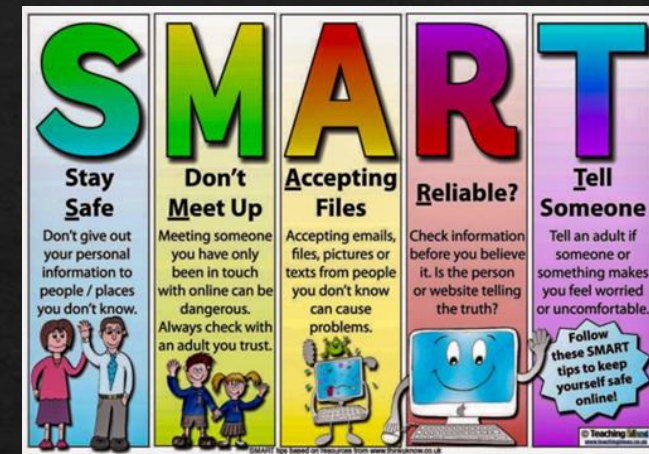
Year 2 Christmas concert and arts and crafts afternoon

Wednesday 13th December at 2pm



Computing

This half term the focus is –
Online Safety



In this unit children will:

- Discuss what the internet is and how it can be used.
- Understand the benefits and risks of being online – how to remain safe, keep personal information secure
- Recognise when to seek help in difficult situations
- Identify which information is appropriate to share and post online and which is not.





Personal, Social, Health Education (PSHE)



Celebrating Difference

This terms PSHE topic is all about respecting similarities and differences between ourselves and our peers.

The children will learn about how to promote anti-bullying and being unique.

The children will discuss way they can how to help if someone is being bullied, know how to give and receive compliments and ways to accept that everyone is different.

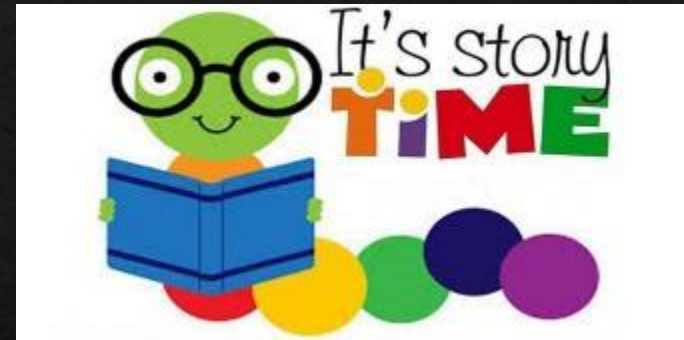


Reading

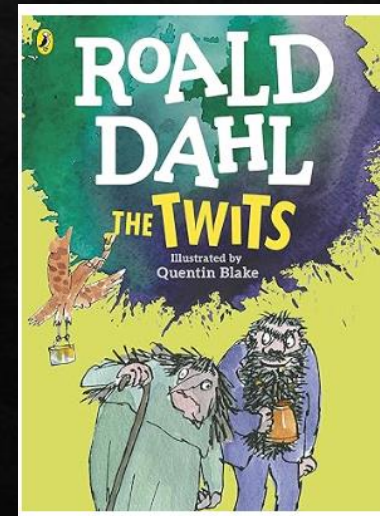
The children reads with and adult x3 a week in a small group. In the groups they are taught to:

- Identify diagraphs/trigraphs within words.
- Read fluently.
- The meaning of new unfamiliar words.
- Answer questions using the text to help them.
- Explain their answers.
- Opportunities to review books
- Read with expression taking into account of the punctuation.

Daily story time at the end of the day



Weekly reading assembly



Other Information

Spellings

- A list of common exception words was sent home during the last week of term.
- They must learn how to spell these words correctly by the end of Year 2!
- Practise, practise, practise!

Maths

- On a Monday children will practicing methods solve arithmetic paper as a class.
- They will discuss which methods they find easiest and how they found their answers.
- The children will then sit the same arithmetic paper on a Friday independently.
- This paper will be sent home on a Friday and their teacher will record their score.
- Helps their mental maths.



Homework

- Children will receive CGP books.
- The pages they must complete will be highlighted on the newsletter.
- Their homework will relate to what they have been learning in class that week.
- Make it an enjoyable experience.
- The answers are in the middle or back of the books. Please mark them with your child.

Other Information

Parents Evening

Parent evening will take place on the following days from 3.45 pm – 6.00 pm:

Monday 20th November

Tuesday 21st November

Wednesday 22nd November

Next week your child's class teacher will provide a sign up sheet for you to make an appointment. Each appointment is 10 minutes long. Please take a note of the date and time for your appointment.



Questions or queries?

You are still able to email your child's class teacher directly.

Lewis class: lewisclass@winterbourne-inf.croydon.sch.uk

Carroll class: carrollclass@winterbourne-inf.croydon.sch.uk

Andersen class: andersenclass@winterbourne-inf.croydon.sch.uk

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