Year 2 Term 2- Explore and Discover! (GEOGRAPHY)

In this unit, children will learn about the oceans and seas that surround our island home – the United Kingdom. They will recap on the countries of the UK and their capital cities. Children will then zoom into the city of London to explore which seas are closest to us and how the River Thames, which flows through our capital, meets the sea at the Thames estuary. To bring this learning to life, they will plan a route from London to Folkestone. The children will take a trip to Sunny Sands beach in Folkestone and identify the features, landmarks and jobs. They will discuss what they like and dislike about living near the seaside. Returning to the classroom, they will use photos and aerial maps to compare and contrast London with Folkestone, looking at physical and human features.

MATHS

This term we will be learning to add and subtract numbers accurately. We will start by re-capping our known facts up to 100.

So that we will be able to add larger numbers together both mentally and using written methods, we will start with adding and subtracting to and across ten.

We will look at methods to add and subtract numbers using both concrete manipulatives and simple written methods with the aim of adding and subtracting two-digit numbers within one hundred.

To finish the term, we will focus on 2D and 3D shapes. We will look at their names and their properties. We will begin to sort and classify these shapes using this knowledge.

ENGLISH

Our book this term is ‘The Sandman and the Turtles.' by Michael Morpurgo. This story will be the focus for our class reading sessions and vocabulary work. Using the class text, we will be writing to entertain and to inform. We will write an adventure narrative and a non-fiction text.

ART

For this term we will be looking at the modern artist, Julian Opie. We will begin to develop our drawing skills using a range of materials such as pencils and charcoal. We will create our own portraits in the style of Julian Opie after having created our own plans and sketches.

MUSIC

This term we will continue to learn how to play the Glockenspiel. This time, the song we will be using for inspiration is called ‘Ho, Ho, Ho’. We will continue to refine our skills both in instrument playing and our singing techniques.

SCIENCE

We will continue to look at materials and their properties this term. We will work scientifically to conduct simple fair tests. We will ask and answer questions, using data to help us and begin to use simple equipment such as timers and pipettes.

RE

This term we will look to answer the question: What can we learn from sacred books? We will look at the stories within the sacred books of Jewish and Christian people. We will talk about what these stories teach us and why people read these stories.

PE

Our outdoor PE sessions this term will focus on developing our agility.

Our indoor PE sessions will be a sequence of lessons to develop our dance skills. The lessons are based around, ‘The Cat’.