



Medium Term Planning
Year 2
Autumn 2024 First Half Term



English	Mathematics
This half term we will be looking at the story Superworm by Julia Donaldson and writing setting descriptions. We will then move on to our non-fiction unit of work where we will write instructions outlining how to trap a character from the story. We will be looking at acrostic poems and quatrain poems and will enjoy writing our own poetry in these styles. We will develop our reading skills following McKie Power Phonics.	This half term we will be learning about place value and addition and subtraction. We will work in pairs, groups or independently and use a range of equipment to make numbers, draw numbers and write numbers and number sentences. We will use the part whole model to help us understand how many tens and ones are in whole numbers and will begin to talk about our reasoning.
Art & Design	Computing
This half term we will be focusing on developing our painting skills. Our focus artist is Georgia O'Keefe who we will look at for inspiration.	In Computing this half term our focus will be Digital Literacy and Online Safety. We will begin to think about our online identity and online reputation. We will learn how to stay safe online.
Design & Technology	Geography
We will be learning about food and nutrition, with a particular focus on a balanced diet and safe food preparation. We will be using our school cookery room to prepare and create our own tasty wrap!	Next half term we will be learning about 'Our Place in the UK'. We will use maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries and capital cities.
History	Music
This half term we will be learning about 'Local Heroes', with a particular focus on Grace Darling and George Stephenson. We will learn about their lives and achievements and hope to visit the Stephenson Railway Museum.	In Music this half term we will practise rhythm building using untuned percussion. We will explore a variety of musical genres and talk about our likes and dislikes of different songs. We will learn to sing the song Hands, Feet, Heart.
Personal Social Health & Economic Education (PSHE)	Physical Education (PE)
This half term our topic is Family and Relationships. We will learn how to resolve problems in our friendships, think about who to trust and explore the existence of stereotyping. We will discuss friendships and think about the impact of bullying.	In PE this half term we will be taking part in a range of team games. We will master basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and co-ordination, and begin to apply these skills in team games.
Religious Education (RE)	Science
In RE, our topic is Why Do We Give Thanks? We will discuss things that we are thankful for and will learn the beliefs around using offerings to show gratitude. We will enjoy creating our own lyrics for a song of thanks.	In Science, our topic is Animals including Humans. We will be exploring animals and their offspring, life cycles and also the basic needs for survival. We will learn about the importance of exercise and diet and how these contribute to healthy living.