

English

As readers, we will use Read Write Inc to teach phonics. Your child will be learning all the phonemes and graphemes, through a differentiated approach. This will ensure that they are confident to segment and blend the learned sounds when reading real and alien words. Also, your child will engage in daily reading through the scheme. They will read a text that is closely suited to their current phonetic knowledge. It will encourage them to segment and blend sounds they are familiar with, as well as ‘tricky’ words.

Your child will be sent home a Book Bag Book, which has been selected to reinforce their phonetical knowledge and reading skills outside of school. As a school, we recognise that importance of reading and suggest that 5 minutes is spent every night to enjoy reading together. This doesn’t always have to be a reading book! There is a reward system in place for consistent readers. Books will be changed when the reading teacher is ready and they will be sealed away for 72 hours.

As writers, this half term our book is ‘George’s Marvellous Medicine’. We will be exploring a range of genres to practise writing coherent sentences, punctuated with capital letters and full stops. We will also be using a sound mat to ensure that we are trying our best to spell words accurately.

Year 2

Curriculum Map Autumn Term 1

In PE, we will be working with Wigan Athletic on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. Please ensure your child comes in to school in the correct kit on these days.

Religious Education

Our RE focus question is ‘How do we show we care for others?’

Spiritual: We will reflect and consider why each individual is special and unique.

Moral: We will consider the actions of the characters in the parable of the Good Samaritan.

Social: We will research how people show they care for others through charity work.

Cultural: We will explore the work of charities and how they are helping people from different cultures and backgrounds around the world.

**Maths**

As mathematicians, we will be learning about the place value of numbers to 20, 50 and 100. We will be representing numbers using a wide range of equipment, as well as comparing numbers and ordering numbers.

Once we have a secure understanding of place value, we will move onto adding and subtracting numbers using formal written methods. We will build our knowledge of this concept by using concrete, pictorial and abstract methods.

In Computing, we will be using Purple Mash to explore the importance of online safety. We will be learning how to use the search tool and how to share our work safely. We will be using the 2Respond system to learn how to email a character. We will be learning what a digital footprint is.

As Musicians, we will be working with a professional music teacher to begin our musical journey.

As Scientists, we will be exploring how humans and animals have offspring which grow into adults. We will be learning about the human life cycle, as well as the life cycle of a butterfly and frog. We will be exploring what humans and animals need to survive and how the seasons may impact these needs for animals who hibernate.

**Creative Curriculum**

This half term our Creative Curriculum topic is Down the Pits!

As Historians, we will be finding out about the history of our local town, Leigh. We will be exploring a range of secondary sources, such as pictures and videos, to find out what Leigh used to be like. We will be finding out about the history of coal mining in Leigh and why it was so important.

As Geographers, we will be using aerial images and maps to study our local town, Leigh. We will be using images to compare how the town has changed over the years and we will be using maps to explore where coal mines used to be.