



Stow Heath Primary School—Year 2 Spring Term Newsletter

Reading

This term our reading focus will be:

- A range of traditional tales.
- A range of stories in familiar settings.
- Explanation text about animals.
- A range of riddles.

Pupils will have daily story time whilst in school and will have opportunity to read for pleasure. Pupils also have an opportunity to read 1-1 with the teacher every week.



How to help your child with their **reading** at home:

- Listen to your child read their home reading book daily to improve fluency and understanding.
- Discuss the text your child has read and use the questions in the back of the book to check understanding.

Writing

This term our writing focus will be:

- Animal riddles
- Explanation text- Life cycle of a frog
- Traditional tales– Beauty and the Beast



How to help your child with their **writing** at home:

- Practise spellings for the week.
- Practise letter formation to improve handwriting.
- Practise using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces in simple sentences.
- Practise reading and spelling the Y2 common exception words.

Numeracy

This term our numeracy focus will be:

- Money
- Multiplication and division
- Measurement



How to help your child with their **maths** at home:

- Recall number bonds to 10, 20 and 100.
- Use TT Rockstars to practise 2x 5x 10x and 3x tables.
- Count to 100 forwards and backwards.
- Recognise and count coins and notes.
- Learn multiplication and division facts for x2 x5 x10 and x3 tables.

Reminders:

PE days are Tuesday and Thursday. Please make sure to send children in correct PE kit. Children will be given kit to change into if dressed incorrectly.

Reading books will be changed every Friday and need to be brought into school everyday for independent reading.

Spelling test will be on a Friday and new spellings will also be given out on a Friday.

Key dates:

- World book day– Thursday 7th March.
- Parents evening– Thursday 21st March.

Science 1

Pupils will learn about animals and their lifecycles. Pupils will learn all about adult animals and their offspring.



Science 2

Pupils will learn about living things and their habitats. We will learn about food chains and the diets that different living things have.



RE

Pupils will learn about Islam this term.



Music

Pupils will learn about rock and reggae music. They will sing, play, improvise and choose music.



PE

Pupils will practise dance, gymnastics, sending and receiving and invasion games.



Our Topic this term is: Explorers and Africa

Geography

Pupils will learn all about the world's 7 continents and 5 oceans, focusing their learning mainly on Africa and Kenya. .



Art

Pupils will learn and explore a range of sculptures including African play sculptures.



History

Pupils will learn about Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus and how they were explorers.



DT

Pupils will design, make and evaluate their own moon buggy using axels.



PSHE

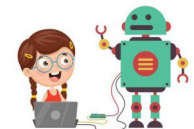
Spring 1- Pupils will focus on dreams and goals.

Spring 2- Healthy me.



ICT

Pupils will learn about effective searching and questioning.



Literacy

Research the lifecycle of a frog and all the different stages of development.

Read Beauty and the Beast.

Write a sentence about your day including capital letters and full stops.



Homework Activities for Spring term.

Choose at least one activity to do each week.

Bring it in to school so we can celebrate your learning whilst at home.



Maths

Practise your 2,5,10 and 3 times tables.

Have a look at coins and notes and learn the value of each one.

Practise paying for something with an adult using money.

RE

Research Islam and find out some facts. Have you got any mosques local to you?

Draw a mosque and label the features.

Geography

Have a look at Kenya on google earth.

Draw a picture of Kenya and Wolverhampton and think about how they are different.

Research 5 facts about Kenya.

History

Create a fact file about Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong.

Find a different famous explorer to learn about.

PSHE

Have a think about some dreams and goals you have. Draw a picture of you with your dream and think about all the things you need to do to achieve it.

Music

Listen to some rock music and think about what instruments you can hear.

Use purple mash music games to create your own songs.

ICT

Chat with an adult about how to be safe online.

Have a go at doing your own internet search.

DT

Draw a moon buggy that you would use to move around the moon. What features would it have? What would you want it to look like?

PE

Choose a physical activity and set yourself a challenge.

E.g. Do 5 running laps of the park, 3 times a week.

Practise your balances that we have learnt in gymnastics. How long can you hold them for?

Art

Choose an African animal and have a go at drawing it.

Use play dough to create a sculpture of your animal.

Science

Go on a walk and see if you can see different habitats for animals.

Create a food chain for a chosen animal.

Design a habitat for an animal of your choice.