



Stow Heath Primary School—Year 2 Spring Term Newsletter

Reading

This term our reading focus will be:

- A range of instructions.
- A range of adventure stories.
- Examples of persuasive writing.

Pupils will have a 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:

Read their given 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:

- Instructions (How to make a potion).
- Recounts.
- Adventure stories (George and the Dragon and The Tunnel).
- Persuasive writing (Holiday to the moon).
- Traditional Tale (Hansel and Gretel).



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.

Numeracy

This term our numeracy focus will be:

- Mass, capacity and temperature.
- Fractions.
- Time.
- Position and direction.
- Statistics.



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

Recall number bonds to 10, 20 and 100.

Practise telling the time to the nearest hour and half an hour.

Practise sharing numbers equally.

Practise counting in 2s 3s 5s and 10s.

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 will be expected to be brought into school every-day for independent reading.

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

Key dates:

Inset day– 24th May

End of school year– 19th July.

Science 1

Pupils will learn about plants and what they need to grow strong and healthy. Pupils will have their own plant to take home and look after.

RE

Pupils will focus on the theme of 'Questions that puzzle us'.



Music

Pupils will develop their knowledge of music styles and compose music using instruments, when completing the unit 'Friendship Song' and then reflect on their music learning from year 2.

PE

Pupils will continue to work on invasion games and sending and receiving before moving onto striking and fielding and athletics.



Our Topic this term is: Explorers and Africa

Geography

Pupils will learn all about the seaside towns within the UK. We will also be going on a trip to Weston-Super-Mare.



Art

Pupils will learn and explore the 'pointillism' style of art, focusing on George Seurat.



History

Pupils will learn about seaside holidays in the past, including how people used to travel to the beach, what they used to eat and what they used to wear.



DT

Pupils will design, make and evaluate their own healthy sandwiches.



Science 2

Pupils will learn about making connections in science, focusing on plant based materials.



PSHE

Summer 1- Pupils will focus on Relationships.

Summer 2- Changing me.



ICT

Pupils will learn about creating different pictures in different styles using '2paint a picture'. We will then move onto 'making music' using online tools.



Literacy

Read some instructions that tell you how to make something. Can you follow them? Can you write your own instructions for how to make or build something?

RE

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

Draw a mosque and label the features.

Music

Listen to some music and find the pulse. Can you clap along? What style is the music and what instruments have been used? Can you make your own music using purple mash?

Art

Can you research George Seurat and have a go at making your own pointillism picture using different colours?

Homework for Summer term.

Choose at least one activity to do each week.

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



History

Create a fact file about old seaside holidays. Can you focus on clothing, food, transport and activities? How were the holidays different to our holidays today?

DT

Draw a healthy sandwich and label the ingredients, thinking about why they are healthy and the benefits they have for our bodies.

Geography

Have a look at a map of the UK and identify the different seaside towns. Research 5 facts about a seaside town within the UK.

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 throwing and catching against a wall. How many can you do in a row?

Maths

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

Have a look at a clock and practise telling the time. Can you see how the minute and hour hands move?

PSHE

Have a think about how you feel about moving to year 3. Draw a picture of yourself showing your feelings and write down any worries you may have.

ICT

Use 2 paint to create your own picture thinking about pointillism or impressionism. Can you use different shades and brush sizes in your picture?

Science

Go on a walk and see what plants you can see. Can you draw and label a plant and describe the job of each part?