



## Social, Moral, Spiritual and Emotional Development

Our RE focus before half term is "What do Christians believe about forgiveness?" Including, what is the Bible? Books of the Bible. After half term it will be: **Easter—What is Easter?** Is Easter happy or sad? Palm Sunday

Our RHE focus before half term is "Families and Committed Relationships—The Diversity of Families". We will be exploring the question: who is in a family? We will look at different kinds of families and what makes a happy family. After half term it will be: **Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds**

**Staying safe and healthy** - Healthy feelings, staying safe at home, feeling poorly.



### Ideas For Helping Your Child At Home

- Please continue to read with your child at home regularly. Five minutes a day of sharing a book and talking about it will make a massive difference to their view of themselves as readers. Individual reading books will be changed when an adult from home has read the book with the child and written in their log book. Books will be changed on a **Monday, Wednesday and Friday**.
- Book bags are needed in school **every day**.
- Practising reading key words and spellings at home will also have a positive impact on your child's reading and writing development. Playing games, turning the words into flash cards, even saying them in the car or on the way to school will help.
- Talking to your child about their day at school is very useful and important. It helps the children remember important ideas and explaining what they have learnt, helps to embed it further in their mind.
- Our class has a designated PE day on **Monday**. Please send your child into school dressed in their PE kit every Monday.

Shepton Mallet Community



Infants' School & Nursery

Curriculum Letter  
Spring Term  
2024  
Year Two

Dear Parent/Carer

In order to keep you up to date about your child's learning journey, detailed within this leaflet is a brief overview of our current learning focuses in Year Two. We hope this information will help you to talk to your child about their learning experiences and reinforce this at home.

### English

Our reading focus this term is on talking about our understanding of the main characters in a story. We will be learning to describe a character's personality and appearance. We will also be learning to recognise parts of the text that give information and details about a character.

In writing we will be developing our sentence construction, ensuring our sentences are clear and starting to use connectives to extend and develop them further.

Our narrative focus for this term will be fantasy stories. We will be reading different stories and comparing the characters and settings. We will be writing detailed character descriptions using connectives and different sentence starters. We will be creating story maps and learning how to write our own version of a fantasy story or a story with a familiar setting.

Our non-fiction focus will non-chronological reports. We will be writing one about dinosaurs we have explored in topic lessons.

We will continue to develop our phonic knowledge and practise using known phonemes to write words independently. We will be continuing to learn how to read and spell words using different spelling patterns. Correct letter formation and joined handwriting will also be practised throughout the term.



### Maths

This term we will be continuing to think about multiplication. We will be relating our knowledge of counting in twos, fives and tens to our times tables. We will then be thinking about how multiplication and division is linked. After half term, we will be learning about 2D and 3D shapes. We will be exploring polygons and which polygons are used to create 3D shapes. Also, we will be looking again at addition and subtraction. We will be thinking about adding and subtracting two, two-digit numbers. We will finish off the term by thinking about money. We will be adding and subtracting using money and learning how to work out change.

### Topic



Our class topic is Dinosaurs before half term and then Shepton Mallet after half term. We will be studying fossils and thinking about when dinosaurs were alive. We will also study different kinds of dinosaurs as well as inventing some of our own!



After half term, our new topic will be Shepton Mallet, our local area. Throughout the Shepton Mallet topic we will be researching the local land marks and features. We shall look at how our town has changed over the years and visit some local places. We will be creating lots of artwork relating our local area using different techniques such as collage, pastels and painting. Our physical development focus for this term is gymnastics. We will be further developing our mouse control and learning how save our work.