

The Dawnay School

Year 2 Curriculum Update

Term: Spring 1



Topic Overview

Muck, Mess and Mixtures

Getting messy is the aim of this half term! Children will dive in, getting their hands and feet all sticky and covered in paint. They will play with liquids, squish dough and check out the slushiest and mushiest foods!

Children will pour, mix, stir and splat! They will discuss how it feels to get their hands covered in goo and have a go at making wobbly jelly and drawing with wibbly clay.

Children will create their own art gallery working with paint and other squelchy stuff to attract different visitors.

Learning in the core subjects

In Writing we will be...

Taking a close look at George's Marvellous Medicine. We will be getting to know the main characters, writing newspaper reports and learning how to write exciting stories. We will continue to build on the key skills of; spelling, punctuation, grammar and handwriting.

In Reading we will be...

Linking what we have heard to our own experiences, as well as developing our skills of responding to questions posed and finding answers within a text. We will be encouraging children to share their thoughts aloud with peers and adults.

In Phonics we will be...

Recapping phase 5 sounds and starting phase 6 letters and sounds. We will be focusing on using the new spelling rules that we learn in our independent writing.

In Maths we will be...

Continuing to explore aspects of Number, including place value, addition, and subtraction. We will be working on multiplication and division skills, as well as statistics. We will also be building up skills to solve arithmetic and reasoning questions.

Learning in the foundation subjects

In Science we will be...

Working scientifically to investigate everyday materials. We will learn how to gather data to help us answer questions and perform simple tests.

In PE we will be...

- Sports Coach weekly (Tuesday)
- Gym- balance and co-ordination, jumping and moving, all of which will be used to create routines to perform. (Friday)

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In PSHE we will be...

Learning to recognise and celebrate their strengths and set simple but challenging goals. We will be learning about changing from young to old and how people's needs change. We will begin to understand the new opportunities and responsibilities that increasing independence may bring as we get older.

In Music we will be...

Using our voices expressively and creatively
Playing tuned and un-tuned musical instruments.

In Art and Design we will be...

Exploring different artists and recreating some of their masterpieces using mixed media. We will discuss different pieces of art and give reasons for our preferences.

Additional Information

Cold/Wet Weather – Please ensure your child has a winter coat every day. Also, on PE days ensure they are dressed warm enough for outdoor sessions.

Key dates

- Monday 4th January – INSET Day
- w/b 18th January – Parents information presentations
- w/b 25th January – Parents' Evenings
- Friday 29th January- INSET Day
- Date TBC – Wow Day