

Year 2 Newsletter: Autumn 1 2020

Terrific Transport

Our topic this term is based all around transport and journeys. We will be exploring road, rail, flight and space during the term and going on a journey through time. We will be enjoying fictional stories that take us on adventures to places far and wide! We will be exploring transportation within Saltaire itself by taking a walk around our local area and then hopefully taking part in an educational visit further afield: more details to follow. All aboard for a great term ahead!

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Our Learning Theme	Importo	Important Dates:		
Transport	Friday 18th September: a local walk around Saltaire village Friday 25th September and Fri 9th October: Ellington visit to Hirst Woods Friday 2nd October and Friday 16th October: Glennie visit to Hirst Woods Week commencing 19th October – Parent Consultations, further information will follow as to how these will be held.			
Homework	Reading	PE Days		
Learn By Heart targets will be sent home fortnightly on a Friday, beginning Friday 11th September. Children will have two weeks to complete their work and should return their work on the date specified in the book. The Learn By Hearts book will cover maths skills and spellings.	Children will have regular Guided Reading sessions at school where they read either independently or with an adult and complete quizzes/answer questions to check their comprehension. Please ensure you read with your child at home as often as possible, ideally daily. Your child will be given a set day to change their reading book which will be detailed by their class teacher. Please could you ensure your child's book is in their school book bag each day so we can hear them read.	Monday – Indoor PE - Gymnastics Tuesday – Outdoor PE – Throwing and Catching Please ensure children are appropriately dressed in school PE uniform.		
Curriculum				
English	Maths	Science		
We will be studying the picture book trilogy of Aaron Becker stories (Journey, Quest and Return). We will follow the two main characters on an amazing adventure full of colour and mystery. We will be learning about nouns and adjectives to describe a setting and retelling the story of Quest.	We will be revising our place value skills, recognising the value of each digit within a number. We will be counting in steps of 2, 3, 5 from 0 and in tens from any number, forwards and backwards. We will compare and order numbers, read and write numbers up to 100 and apply our problem solving skills.	The children will be learning about plants during our science lessons. We will all have the opportunity to do some planting and find out the optimum temperatures for growth. In addition, we will attend Hirst Woods with Mrs Littlewood, our Outdoor Learning specialist teacher, to explore our natural habitat and learn all about trees!		



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LEARING JORREY			
Humanities	Art/DT	Computing	
We will be learning all about vehicles through time and studying maps of our local area and wider afield. We will then create maps of our own, using a key.	We will be exploring existing methods of transportation to inspire us to design and create our own moving vehicle.	We will be learning all about e-safety and ensuring we all know how to use our technology correctly and carefully.	
Music/RE		PSHE	
We'll be learning about rhythm and pulse in music and taking part in singing games. In RE we'll be exploring the concept of kindness.		We will be thinking about our relationships and working together to get to know each other.	