Year 2 Spring 1 Overview

Dear Parents,
Our topic for this half term is 'Dungeons and Dragons' and this will be based around the study of the importance and impact of Elizabeth I. The children will also learn about the human body and will create artwork inspired by famous artists. Please find this half term's homework below. A brief overview of each curricular area can be found overleaf, which we hope you will find helpful. If you would like to contact a member of staff to ask any question or pass on information, please email staff@broughtonprimary.co.uk and mark your email 'FAO *insert teacher's name here*'. Your emails will be forwarded to the relevant member of staff during working hours.
Thank you,

Mrs Munnelly and Miss Simpson

English Homework

Reading: The children in Year 2 will be continuing our brilliant new reading scheme. In this scheme, the books are carefully matched to the learning in each year group so that they fully complement what children are taught in class. The books have a range of relevant activities on the front and back covers to develop your children's comprehension skills. Children are still expected to read or complete one of the reading activities for at least twenty minutes each evening. Please continue to sign your child's Home School Diary every day to enable us to keep a clear record of which books the children have read and when they have completed activities. Books will be changed on a Monday, Wednesday and a Friday to allow children to read and enjoy the text as well as rereading and completing the relevant activities. This scheme has been carefully devised to supplement the teaching in class and supporting the children in becoming well-rounded readers.

Phonics: Homework will be set on the Friday of each week to be handed in on the following Monday.

Topic Homework

Homework activities will be linked to our topic for this half term. It is compulsory to complete any two activities, and it is optional to complete the remaining four activities. It has been indicated which activities should be completed independently and which may require a little help from an adult. Finished homework can be brought into school as it is completed.

Independent

- To write about your proudest moment.
- Think of ways in which you can be a friend to everyone, just like Jesus was.

Supported

- To create a healthy eating plate using a range of materials.
- To create a set of instructions for a Bee Bot.
- Create a fact file about Queen Elizabeth I.
- To create a simple route map from your home to school including some key features.

Maths Homework

Every Friday, children will receive maths homework on the online system www.maths.co.uk All children will be given their own username and password which will be stuck into their 'Home Record' books. The set task should be completed over 2 weeks. If you have any problems accessing the system at home, please contact your child's class teacher.

Children are also expected to practise the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

English

This half term, the children will read 'The Adventures of Egg Box Dragon' and will write in a range of genres, such as formal and informal letters and narratives.

The children will then read the fantasy narrative of 'Rapunzel' and will write for different purposes including script writing and exploring common themes of classical fairy tales.

History

This term, the children will describe and explain who Queen Elizabeth 1st was and why she was a significant individual. They will be able to describe and recognise some features of the Tudor period.

PE

This term, the children will develop the skills of speed and accuracy. They will also play simple tactical games.

Maths

Y2 – This half term, the children will continue to develop their understanding of multiplication and division. We will focus on dividing numbers by 2, 5 and 10 and will solve word problems based around this. We will also be counting coins and notes and then comparing different amounts of money.

After this, the children will practise estimating and measuring lengths and height accurately using rulers and measuring tapes. We will also explore mass, capacity and temperature.

Music

In music, the children will learn about singing and playing together in an ensemble. As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song, children will listen and appraise classic South African music.

Science

In this unit, the children will research and investigate the importance of eating the right amounts of different types of food, exercising and hygiene. The children will perform simple tests to understand the effect of exercise on their bodies and the need for using soap when washing their hands. To end the unit, the children will create a guide to inform people about how to keep pets healthy.

Art

In art this half term, children will explore working with levers and slides. They will design, create and evaluate a mechanical poster that tells a story. We will learn about the works of Eadweard Muybridge.

Geography

In geography this half term, children will look at where they will live. They will explore this on a big scale, such as continent and country, then move towards looking at their own local area.

Computing

In this unit, the children will develop their understanding of instructions, sequences and the use of logical reasoning to predict outcomes. They will also learn about design in programming.

RE

Our topic this term is 'Jesus, friend to everyone'. The aim of this unit is to enjoy the stories of Jesus' miracles and to increase the children's awareness that Jesus was an extraordinary person who welcomed everyone as a friend. The children will discuss artwork interpretations of Jesus and children, explore feelings and experiences through drama and will consider how the events in these stories connect to Christian belief.