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<u>St Lawrence School Curriculum Letter- Year 2</u> <u>Spring Term 2022</u>

Welcome back after the Christmas break. I hope everyone had a relaxing holiday. Thank you all for your kind gifts at the end of last term, they were very much appreciated.

Below is an outline of the areas we will be covering this term.

Writing

To begin each week we will be focusing on recount writing, though writing our news from the weekend or previous week. The children will need to focus on sentence structure, spelling, punctuation and use of language during this time.

We will use the other writing sessions to focus on particular genre taught through our project work. We will be starting with non-chronological books on castles. Any castle books the children have at home, would be brilliant to bring in and share.

During the second half of the term, we will focus on writing stories from the Torah, to link with our RE.

Reading

Our approach to reading will be as last term, with pupils working in groups according to their ability. Assessments in reading will be carried out on a half-termly basis, and children will move groups as necessary, with parents being notified of any changes. The children will not be mixing bubbles with any other year group and only taught within a group of Y2 children.

<u>Maths</u>

In Maths, we will be continuing with Power Maths. We will be finishing our objectives from the Autumn term and moving on. We will be working on the following areas.

Number- Multiplication and Division

- sharing and grouping
- Dividing by 2, 5 and 10
- Odd and even numbers
- Bar modelling for grouping and sharing
- Solving word problems for multiplication and division.

Statistics

Making Tally charts

- Creating pictograms
- Interpreting pictograms
- Block diagrams
- Solving word problems

Measurement

- Measuring in centimetres
- Measuring in metres
- Comparing lengths
- Ordering lengths
- Solving word problems involving length

Geometry

• Recognising 2D and 3D shapes

- Drawing 2D shapes
- Counting sides on 2D shapes
- Counting vertices on 2D shapes
- Finding lines of symmetry
- Sorting 2D shapes
- Making patterns with 2D shapes
- Counting faces on 3D shapes
- Counting edges on 3D shapes
- Counting vertices on 3D shapes
- Sorting 3D shapes
- Making patterns with 3D shapes

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Number- Fractions

- Introducing whole and parts
- Making equal parts
- Recognising ¹/₂
- Finding a half
- Recognising ¹/₄
- Finding ¼
 Unit fractions
- Understanding other fractions
- ¹/₂ and 2/4
- Finding ³/₄

Our Mission:

'To develop responsible, independent individuals who have the knowledge and attitudes to be successful in an ever changing world'.





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- Understanding a whole
- Understanding whole and parts
- Counting in halves
- Counting in quarters

To help with this, please practise number bonds regularly, 2, 5, 10 times tables, making equal groups, names of 2D and 3D shapes, revision of telling the time, and money, giving change.

<u>Science</u>

The Science curriculum focus will be on knowledge and understanding as well as participating in exciting and engaging practical experiments. The first topic to be covered will be, Exploring Everyday Materials, followed by Growing Plants. We will be using our investigative skills as well as our knowledge to learn about these areas.

RE

We will be learning about why the Torah is special in Judaism.

DT

This term will be using recycled material to make bags.

ICT

We will be learning how to use ICT to make spreadsheets and algorithms.

PSHE

We will be learning to understand and respect the differences and similarities between people, about the biological differences between male and female animals and their role in the life cycle, that everybody needs to be cared for and ways in which they care for others and about different types of family and how their home life is special.

Music

The children will be learning about rhythm, beat, basic note reading, tempo and dynamics.

Project- Towers, Tunnels and Turrets

Our project focus this term is Medieval History, and Geography. We will be looking at Castles, the location of world famous towers, bridges and castles. We will be discovering how people used to live in medieval times.

Home learning This term's home learning project is due on Friday 18th February. The children can choose 1 activity from the following list. We hope they enjoy completing these projects at home. They are designed to be a fun and engaging project to complete with support from parents and family.

• Find, on a world map or globe, famous landmarks you would like to visit. Which continents are they in? How would you get there? Talk to your grown-ups and explain your choices. Make a digital display showing images of your favourite places and giving information about each country or city.

• Design a fantastic new landmark for your local area! What materials would you use and what special features would it have? Think about how to make it stand out from other landmarks in the world. Plot your landmark on a map of your local area. Present your ideas to your class.

At the end of term, we will have our Year 2 Parent Sharing session, if restrictions allow, where you will be hearing all about how people lived in medieval times. The children are welcome to come dressed for times!

P.E.

PE will now be on a <u>Wednesday</u>, Gymnastics with Mrs Fitzpatrick, <u>and Thursday</u> Netball skills with the Jersey Netball Development team. Please remember full PE kit must be worn. Hair must be tied up, jewellery and watches removed.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mo McDonald

