

### English

Children will be reading 'Fantastic Mr Fox' and 'The Twits'. They will write detailed character descriptions, describing character appearance and behaviour using interesting adjectives and similes. They will learn how to write thank you letters. Children will also be writing reports about hedgehogs and recounts of experiences. Whilst writing character descriptions, letters, recounts and reports, children will develop their spelling, punctuation and grammar skills further. They will be learning how to spell sounds in different ways, spell words with prefixes and suffixes and spell common tricky words. They will become more confident writing four different sentence types (questions, commands, exclamations and statements) and investigate which punctuation to use for each. They will practise using a range of conjunctions. They will explore adjectives, nouns, verbs and adverbs, identifying them when reading and also choosing their own to use when writing.

### Maths

This term, children will be continuing to develop their understanding of place value by partitioning numbers into tens and ones in different ways. They will be comparing numbers using symbols  $<$ ,  $>$  and  $=$ . Children will be counting in steps of 2, 3, 5 and 10 from 0 and will continue to learn their 2x, 3x, 5x and 10x tables, attempting to recall them in any order. They will add, subtract, multiply and divide numbers using objects, jottings and also develop their understanding of informal written strategies. They will be solving problems involving  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $\times$  and  $\div$ , including problems with more than one step. They will find fractions of shapes and numbers, e.g. find  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 12. Children will estimate and measure length/height, capacity and mass. They will name and describe the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. Children will learn how to pay for items using coins in different ways and give change. They will make and interpret pictograms, graphs and tables.

### Art and D.T.

Children will be developing their sketching skills, sketching treasures found in nature. They will also be learning to weave and make sculptures using natural materials.

### Computing

This term children will be learning word processing skills. They will be playing games online to support their learning in other areas of the curriculum.

### PE

Children will be taught athletics skills. They will play games involving running, hitting, throwing and catching. They will aim to use tactics to outwit their opponents and to score points. Children will also participate in the daily mile.

### Special Visitors

Children will have visits from volunteers at the Help a Hedgehog Hospital. They will hold a cake sale and sell knitted hedgehogs to raise money for this local charity.

Year 2

Spring 2 and Summer 1 2018



# Nature Detectives

*Launch:* Children will be on a quest to earn stickers to become Nature Detectives!

*Landing:* Children will celebrate becoming Nature Detectives with a 'Nature Detective' themed day, where they will carry out a range of fun 'Nature Detective' themed activities.



### R.E.

After thinking about our value of Service and what it means to us we will be exploring our new Big Question, 'What is the Good News Jesus brings?' We shall be learning that Jesus brings Friendship, Forgiveness and Peace for everyone, finding out how he did this and thinking about what it means for Christians today.

### Science

Year 2 will be learning about animals, plants and habitats this term. They will explore the basic needs of animals for survival, and learn how to care for a pet. They will match animals with their young and name animal babies. Children will find out how animals change as they grow into adults. They will describe and compare features of animals of different groups. Children will also learn about things that are alive, dead or have never been alive. They will name different plants and animals and describe how they are suited to different habitats, carrying out tree identification activities, birdwatching activities and minibeast hunts. Children will learn about feeding relationships and create simple food chains. They will describe basic needs of plants for survival and identify changes as seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. They will research facts about hedgehogs.

### Outdoor Learning:

Children will be observing the plants and animals growing in the local environment. They will be going on minibeast hunts and identifying seasonal changes.