

# Year 2 Summer 1

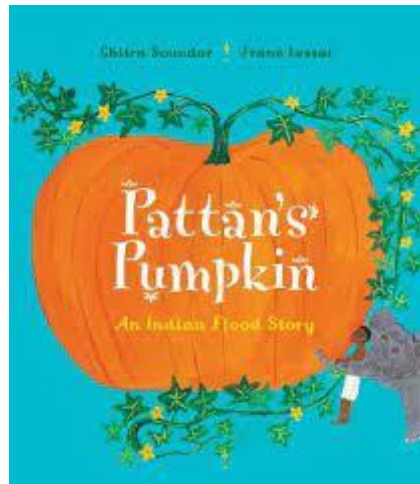
## Newsletter April 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school. I hope you had a lovely Easter break and that your children are all rested and ready for another busy half term. This newsletter will let you know some of the exciting things we will be doing over the next few weeks.

In **Literacy**, we will be looking at the book *Pattan's Pumpkin* -



Through this wonderful book, the children will be -

- Performing role play
- Writing captions, labels and posters
- Writing in role: diary writing
- Writing poetry and letters
- Creating a News Report

In our **grammar** work, we will continue to look at writing sentences correctly as well as using tenses, commas and apostrophes. We will be doing lots of whole class **guided reading** focusing on the key skills of prediction, sequencing and knowledge of vocabulary used. In **Phonics**, we

will be working on Phase 6 where our focus is on becoming accurate spellers, adding prefixes and suffixes and developing fluency in reading.

In **Maths**, we are working well on the Year 2 objectives. This half term we will be continuing our work on fractions as well as properties of shape and finally position and movement.



Our **Geography** topic this half term is:

### **Why does it rain in India?**

After finding out where India is and locating some of its cities using maps, we will learn what life is like. Our focus will then move onto the climate, comparing it with the UK before we

learn about monsoons and why they occur.

In **RE** our focus is on Eastertide, how we know that Jesus came back from the dead and is still with us and the story of the coming of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles .



In **Science** we are going to be Scientists and develop our key skills such as performing simple tests, observing closely, identifying, making predictions and how to record data.

In **Art** we are going to be influenced by India and draw elephants, using pastels to decorate as well as create Rangoli patterns.



In **Computing** we will be creating our own music using Chrome Music Lab!

As you can see we are going to be very busy again!

Just a few things to note

- PE will continue to be on Thursday and Friday. Please send your children into school with their PE kit on. Please bear in mind the weather forecast for that day as the children may be outside. If your child has their ears pierced, please remove their earrings before they leave home. Long hair must be tied back.
- Please ensure your child's jumper is clearly named. Jumpers are stored during the day in a plastic box as they don't fit into their individual trays.
- Spellings and times tables will still be sent home on a Friday. Your child will be tested the following Friday.
- Try and hear your child read every day. Daily reading makes such a difference and supports your child with their own writing. It really helps with increasing the range of vocabulary your children can use as well as firing up their own ideas and creativity. I have updated your child's Bug Club account with Phase 5 and Phase 6 activities and books. These are another wonderful resource for reading. A library book will still be sent home - we have a box of library books in our classroom for Year 2 to borrow and these will be changed on a Friday.



As you can see we have another fun packed half term ahead. Fingers crossed we get to spend it together in school.

If you have any queries or concerns, please don't hesitate to write a note in the reading record or send an email to the school admin address.

Kind regards, Mrs Veitch