# Year 2

# Autumn 2 Curriculum Map

# Welcome to Year 2

It has been wonderful welcoming you back into school in Autumn 1. There are many exciting events and opportunities for our Year 2 children in the run up to Christmas – we hope you are excited as we are!

We look forward to continuing our learning with you this term.

Miss Mindham, Mrs Green, Mrs Haigh and Mrs Housden

In **English** this half term, we are looking forward to reading the story 'Lost Toy in the Museum' by David Lucas. We will then write our own adventure story, where a toy of our choice has gone on its own adventure.

Then we will read extracts of autobiographies, including 'Boy' by Roald Dahl, before writing our own.

To end the term, we will be reading riddles and writing a 'What am I?' riddle about a 1950s toy. We will share them with the class and see if they can work out which toy we are writing out based on our clues!





This half term our theme is 'Childhood'

In our **History** lessons, we will be exploring timelines including some important events in history such as the Queen's Coronation. We will be focusing on the events of the 1950s, including an exploration into the life of a child in the 1950s. We will be having a look at family trees and having a go at creating our own family trees based on some well-known characters.

In Geography, we will be looking at changes over time.

In our **Art** sessions we will be looking at the artist Jackson Pollock. We will be exploring different styles and methods of painting.

In our **Science** sessions we will be conducting some investigations into the best material for a waterproof coat. We will be looking at the properties of different materials to make sure teddy stays dry.

In **PE** we are looking forward to having Mr Rogers from KICK leading our outdoor lessons, in which we will be learning the skills of tennis. He will be covering many different multi-skills activities. We will be starting a new gymnastics unit called 'Rock and Roll' in which we will begin to learn some new movements.

In **RE** our first topic will look at various religious festivals. We will be learning about the festivals of Diwali, Eid and Hanukah as well as Christmas. We hope to explore how light is important to different religions.

Our **PSHCE** ssessions will focus on "Family and Friends", where we will be discussing what makes a good friend and how we can make good choices in our friendships.

In **Maths**, we will be using a written method to add and subtract, sometimes crossing tens. Then we will be starting our new unit of work on money. This will include recognising coins and notes, counting money and making amounts. We will find the difference between two amounts of money and role play buying items from the shop and finding change. Before the end of the term, we will revisit multiplication and division.

#### Year 2 Key Information

School planners should be in school **every day.** They are a key part of our communication with you so please check them regularly. Please sign any messages so that we know you have seen them.

Home learning will be uploaded onto Teams each Friday to be completed by the following Thursday.

Our **P.E.** days are **Tuesdays and Fridays.** Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit in school on those days. **Tuesday** PE will usually be outside (weather permitting). We are now bringing in our PE kits to get changed in school rather than coming to school in our PE kits.

**Library** day is on a **Tuesday**, please remember to bring your book back on this day.

### Dates for your diary:

2<sup>nd</sup> November – Flu Vaccinations
3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> November – Parents' Evening
10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> November – KS1 Family Lunch
18<sup>th</sup> November – Pathfinder's Got Talent
25<sup>th</sup> November – 1950s Day (more details to follow)
15<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 Christmas Performance
17<sup>th</sup> December – End of term