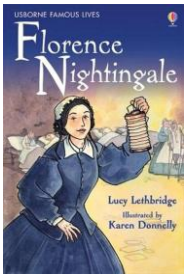
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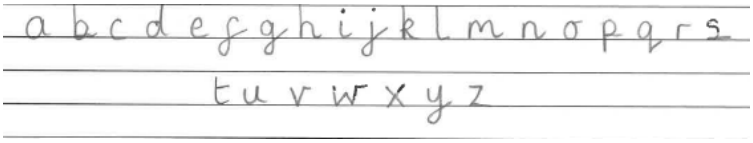
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Year 2: Autumn 2

Dear Parents/ Carers,
Please find below an overview of the topics we will be covering this half term in Year 2.

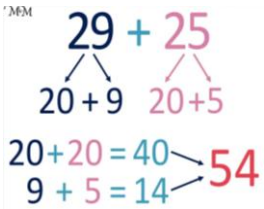


English:
Year 2 will be studying the book **Florence Nightingale** by Lucy Lethbridge. It tells the story of Florence, a significant individual, and all she achieved across her lifetime. Year 2 will have the opportunity to secure their knowledge of nouns, adjectives, verbs and adverbs. They will also be introduced to both coordinating and subordinating conjunctions and how these can be used in their writing. The children will plan and write an informal letter, a biography and a recount. Daily handwriting will continue to be a focus to ensure children are forming their letters accurately and beginning to use lead out lines.



Reading:
This term, Year 2 will be given a range of opportunities to read both independently and in a whole group setting. They will develop their comprehension skills, increase fluency and accuracy, and build upon their love of reading. This year, we have a focus on **'Reading for Pleasure'** at WWPS and our recommended read for Autumn term 2 is 'Can I build another me?'

Maths:
In maths, our main topic will be addition and subtraction. Children will learn how to add three 1-digit numbers, add and subtract 1s and 10s and build up to adding and subtracting any two 2-digit numbers. Children will learn partitioning strategies and mental methods for calculating within 100. In Mastering Number, the children will learn about odd numbers, and the composition of numbers 11-19.



Science:
Our topic in science is materials. We will learn to identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses. The children will work scientifically by asking questions, performing simple tests, identifying and classifying and using observations.

History:
We will study Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole and Edith Cavell in our history lessons as significant individuals. The children will learn about the changes they made and the impact they had on nursing around the world and in the UK. As part of this topic, we will visit the Florence Nightingale Museum on Tuesday 1st December.

PSHE:
We use the Jigsaw Curriculum for PSHE. This term, Year 2 will be tackling the topic 'Celebrating Difference.' Children will discuss and learn about differences, and recognise that it is OK to be different. We will also learn about bullying, how it makes others feel and what to do if someone is being bullied.

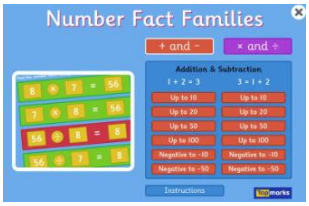
Music:
In Year 2, they will be given the chance to take part in music lessons from external providers – Colour Strings. In class, we will follow the Mini-musician programme which has been carried over from last year. This is an exciting opportunity for the children and we look forward to getting the most out of these experiences.

PE:
Year 2's PE days will be a **Tuesday**. The children should come to school in their PE kits on these days. The children will be focussing on games and athletics this half term in PE.

RE:
This term, Year 2 will learn about 'Sacred Writings'. They will consider the importance of religious books, and explore stories from the Bible and Qur'an.

Computing:
Year 2's topic is 'Programming'. We will develop an understanding of what algorithms are, how to program them and how they can be developed to be more efficient through a range of activities.

Our recommended website of the term is:
https://www.topmarks.co.uk/number-facts/number-fact-families



Yours Sincerely,
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