



Lancaster Christ Church Church of England Primary School
Curriculum Newsletter
Year 2

Have Faith... In yourself... In others... In God.

Welcome to the Spring 1 edition of the Curriculum News where our theme is 'An Island Home'. We hope that you will find it useful and informative. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher if you have any questions regarding the curriculum this half term.



Mathematics

Within Maths, children will follow a **mastery approach** to explore: time (quarter to/past), place value (value of digits in numbers to 100, rounding up and down), measures (mass/weight & volume), addition and subtraction (larger numbers and introducing exchanging). We will continue to develop our mental recall of facts, plus counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

Geography

What is life like on the Isle of Struay?

Year 2 will be answering these enquiry questions: What is an island? Where is Scotland and what is it like? What do we know about the Isle of Struay? What are the human and physical feature of Coll? How can I describe where things are in Coll? How does Struay compare to Coll? How does the weather in Coll compare to the weather in Lancaster?

Music

Year 2 will be exploring lyrics based on the theme, 'A day at the seaside'. The children will be thinking about a range of musical elements i.e. pulse, rhythm, dynamics, tempo, pitch, duration and texture.

PSHE

Rights and Responsibilities

We will learn how to recognise who to trust and who not to trust, how to judge when a friendship is making us feel unhappy or uncomfortable, managing conflict, how to manage these situations and how to seek help or advice from others, if needed.

English

Key Text: Katie Morag Delivers the Mail

Year 2 will follow a phased approach to this text. We will build on our skills of using different punctuation (., ! ? ""') and will develop our understanding of these grammar elements – synonyms, noun phrases and past tense. We will write our own version of the story.



Science

Living Things and Their Habitats

In Science, Year 2 will be working Scientifically by using observations to compare and contrast animals, describing how they identify and group them. We will be learning about the different animal groups, the type of habitats they live in and why.

Art/ DT

How can Katie Morag carry the mail? We will explore features of existing bags and practise using different joining techniques. Then we will design and make our own bag for Katie Morag. Once we've finished, we will evaluate our bag.

P.E.

Children will explore the techniques used in **invasion games**. Our unit is 'Piggy in the Middle' which focusses on throwing and catching skills. In **dance** children will be taught by Miss Helen and will learn to follow instructions, create their dance sequences and use expression to perform in the school dance showcase.

Computing

Mazes - instructions

Children will learn about giving clear instructions in order to navigate a maze. They will learn about algorithms and how to 'debug' them if they go wrong.

Important information

- P.E. will take place on Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure your child is in full P.E kit with long hair tied back and no earrings.
- Lancashire Schools' Singing Festival takes place next half term – details to follow.
- Reading is vitally important so please read with your child for a few minutes most evenings and talk about what is read.

