



Welcome to Year 2

Our Core Subjects

In English this term we will be focusing on stories with historic (castles) settings. We will also be reading information texts and writing reports about castles. Children will learn to make leaflets. They will also explore stories by the same author and read/write poems using alliterations. Throughout the English units we will be focusing on grammar and punctuation.

In Maths our focus will be on the 4 calculations; addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Children will have regular opportunities to apply these skills to solve problems including time, money, shape and statistics. It is important that, the children know and can quickly recall their multiplication tables of 2's, 3's, 5's and 10's and number bonds as well as corresponding doubles and halves to 20 - something which can be practiced at home regularly!

In Science, our topic question is 'What do Super Scientists know about?' Children will learn about famous scientists and carry out simple experiments to investigate theories. They will be using their knowledge to predict what will happen in their investigation before testing this out to find out the results.

Our Foundation Subjects

History and Geography

Children will discover the history of **castles** and learn about locations of famous castles in Great Britain. Our trip to Tamworth Castle will be a super experience!

Music

Children will learn to listen and appraise classic Rock songs as they sing, play, improvise and compose with the songs I Wanna Play In A Band and Zootime.

Art and DT

Children will explore the work of different artists. They will also use junk modelling to create their own models of castles.

RW

This term, we will focus our learning from **Islam** and children will learn about what books and places are important to Muslims and then explore what is important to them.

Computing

This term, we will focus our learning on Questioning and Effective Searching. They will use iPads to support their learning on Purple Mash.

PE days for Year 2 are Monday and Tuesday.

Please ensure your child wears our school a warm Sports kit to school on these two days. We would also like to remind you that no jewellery should be worn in PE.

PSHE

Children will discuss their different Dreams and Goals and explore the topic of Healthy Me. They will also consider the meaning of gratitude in their well-being lesson.

This term's topics are:

SCIENCE - What do Super Scientists know about?

HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY - Castles

ART - Castle Art

DT - Castle Design & Technology

COMPUTING - Questioning and Effective Searching

MUSIC - I Wanna Play In A Band and Zootime

RW - Beginning to learn from Islam

PSHE - Dreams and Goals/ Healthy Me

PE - Net and Wall Games/Gymnastics

Spring Term in Year 2

Welcome back to the Spring term at Woden Primary and Happy New Year! We hope you had an enjoyable and restful holiday.

This term, the Year 2 team is:

- Mrs Hawkins (Class 5)
- Miss Sinclair (Class 6)
 - Ms Chauhan
 - Mrs Childs
- Ms. Shinh/ Mrs Bhambra

Doors open to pupils at 8.40am and pupils will come straight to class ready for registration at 8.50am. Any pupils who are late, must report to the School Office.

Curriculum Enrichment

We are always looking for ways to bring our pupils' learning to life and have some visits already booked for Spring Term.

Tamworth Castle (Wednesday 6th March 2024)

Useful websites:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button> - Great for Maths

<https://go.educationcity.com/>

<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/woden#/>

Home Learning Tasks

Home learning tasks will be set, which are based on learning that has already taken place in school. This means that your child can complete them with greater independence. We do ask that you check your child's home learning tasks to ensure they are completed to a good standard and returned to school on time. Thank you for your continued support.



PE Kits

Pupils are expected to wear the correct PE kit for every PE lesson each week. The correct PE kit is:

- White t-shirt (plain or with Woden logo only)
- Dark blue tracksuit bottoms
- Dark blue sweatshirt (plain or with Woden logo only)
- Trainers

Children are not to wear their own clothes or sports wear with other logos for school. We would like our pupils to really take pride in their appearance as well as our school PE kit.

Reading

Listening to your child read aloud as often as possible will support them with their reading, writing and spelling. The benefits are huge. Please write a comment and sign your child's diary every time you hear them read so that we can track the progress they are making at home.