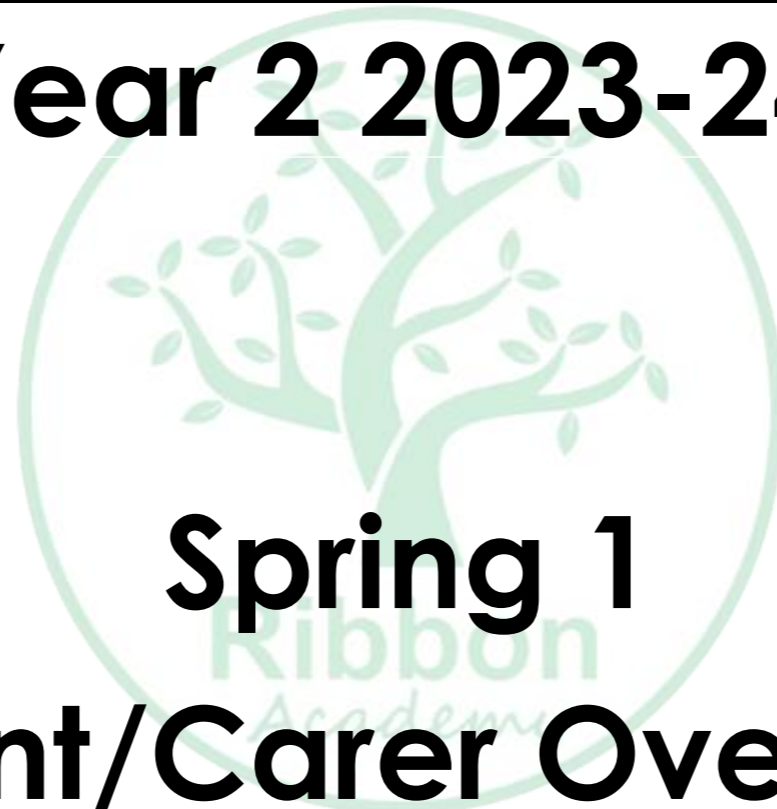


Year 2 2023-24

Spring 1

Parent/Carer Overview



The Core

Reading/ Phonics

Phonics

In phonics your child will be focusing on alternative spellings for different vowel sounds and reading and writing polysyllabic words.

Reading

Every morning they will practice our reading skills in Book Club. They will bring home their phonics reading books along with an accelerated reader book every day.

Comprehension

Your child will use comprehension skills in reading sessions.

Writing

Non-Chronological report

Your child will learn about honey bees and be able to create a report all about them.

Story writing

Your child will use all the skills learnt so far and learn more about narrative writing. They will use detailed description and varied language to create a story.

Maths

Addition and subtraction

Your child will consolidate their learning about addition and subtraction, including the use of money and measurements.

Multiplication and Division

Your child will learn about multiplication and division, and practice the recall of facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

Science

Materials

Your child 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. They will find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

The Creatives

Art & Design

Print Patterns in Nature

Your child will use what they have been learning about in Science to begin the topic 'animal prints'. They will be looking into different animals and their animal print. Your child will use a variety of materials such as pencils, pastels, ink, fine liners and chalk to create sketches, different forms of animal print and their own foam stamp.

Design & Technology

Design & Technology will be taught in Spring 2.

Music

Boom Whackers

Your child will learn to use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes. They will play tuned and untuned instruments musically and listen with concentration, understanding to a range of high-quality live and recorded music. They will have the opportunity to experiment with, create, select, and combine sounds using the inter-related dimensions of music.

The Humanities

Geography

What can I see from above?

Your child will learn to name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans. They will learn the difference between human and physical geography and be able to identify the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles. They will use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical and human features. They will use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries, as well as the countries, continents and oceans.

RE

What does it mean to belong?

In RE, your child will build on what they learnt about Christianity in the Autumn term. They will explore what it means to belong in Christianity. They will look at how Christians are welcomed into the Christian faith through baptism and learn about all of the symbols associated with this.

History

History will be taught in Spring 2.

The Wider Curriculum

PE

Gymnastics

Your child will build on from their gymnastics skills in Autumn 2. They will have the opportunity to master basic movements including balance, agility and co-ordination, and begin to apply these in a range of activities, creating their own sequences.

Computing

Programming

This half term your child will be building on the skills they learnt in Autumn 2. Your child will understand what an algorithm (set of precise instructions) is, and that programs are made up of these. They will learn to sequence commands (1 instruction) or an algorithm (several instructions) to achieve an objective (e.g. using a Bee-Bot). They will be able to recognise errors and debug (correct) these in algorithms.

MFL

Building Foundations

In support to the teaching of French in KS2, your child will be encouraged to listen, repeat and use simple French greetings, listen and follow instructions and begin to recognise names of simple numbers.

PSHE

Dreams and Goals

Your child will learn about how to keep motivated when things are challenging, develop a positive attitude to help work towards their goals and help others achieve theirs.