

### English

During our first term, we will be covering a variety of text types, including stories, diaries, letters and instructions. We will begin the term by studying 'Zagazoo' by Quentin Blake and learn how to write a five-part story. Then, we will be moving on to write a letter and a diary entry from the perspective of Florence Nightingale to help us describe the hospitals in which she worked during the Crimean War. Throughout the term we will embed skills learnt in Year 1 whilst introducing Year 2 grammar and writing features, such as expanded noun phrases.

### Science

Our science work this term is all about looking at the basic needs of humans, animals and their young. It is important, especially during these times, to look after our bodies so that we can live healthy lives. We will look at how eating a varied and nutritious diet and keeping clean and hygienic can keep us safe and well. We will also be conducting simple investigations into how taking regular exercise can help us to stay healthy and why it is so important for both our mental and physical health.

### Music

We will listen to various pieces of music on the theme of friendship and think about how music has the power to bring people together. The children will also explore how pitch, rhythm and pulse can be used in different compositions.

### P.E.

We will be focusing on football and cross-country, ensuring pupils understand the effect exercise has on their bodies. PE kits will need to stay in school for the rest of the term.

### History

As part of our history work this term, the children will be researching and learning about the role of nurses throughout history. We will focus on Mary Seacole, Florence Nightingale and Edith Cavell to help us investigate the changes that have been made to improve hospitals' conditions today.

### **Year 2: Class 5 & 6**

**Miss Carter, Mrs Pearce,  
Mrs Abson**

**Term 1: September & October 2023**

**Happy, Healthy Me!**

**How Have the Nurturing Nurses  
Impacted Us Today?**



### Maths

We will begin the term by focussing on place value and finding the value of 2-digit numbers, for example, 32 can be partitioned into 3 tens and 2 ones. Using number bonds to 20, we will also be developing our understanding of addition and subtraction facts, as well as recapping the names and properties of 2D shapes. Building on the children's prior knowledge from Year 1, we will learn new methods that aim to support them in calculating answers accurately and effectively.

### Computing

This term we will be giving and following instructions, debugging simple programmes and using the iPads to create our own algorithms (a sequence of instructions). When thinking about e-safety we will talk about our identity and how we can communicate this safely online.

### P.S.H.E.

We will discuss our hopes and fears, rights and responsibilities, rewards and consequences and our class rules within the unit 'Being me in the World'.

### Art

This term we will be studying portraits of a variety of artists, particularly Pablo Picasso and Frida Kahlo. We will have opportunities to create our own self-portraits using a variety of forms, such as line drawings, watercolours and collage.

### Welcome to Year 2!

On behalf of all the teaching and support staff, we would like to offer a warm welcome to Year 2! We are very excited to start the new academic year and get to know you all. If you have any queries about your child's learning, please feel free to speak to the class teacher at the start or end of the school day or via the school office. Thank you in advance for your support and we look forward to meeting you all in the next few weeks. ☺

Miss Carter, Mrs Pearce, Mrs Abson and Mr Whyte