# Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter

The whole school topic this term is called 'Heroes and Villains'. This document outlines the units of work that will be covered in all subjects in Year 2 during this topic.

| Literacy | Mathematics |
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| We will start the term with a fiction unit looking at traditional tales. This will include investigating the text, characters and lots of storytelling and drama activities. The children will explore and adapt the stories to write their own versions.<br>This will be followed by a unit of non-fiction work on instructions, which will link with our DT topic on puppets.<br>After half term we will begin to explore various stories all by the same author. | We will be focusing heavily on number this term. We will start by securing our knowledge of addition and subtraction and the methods we can use to solve these. We will then move on to using this knowledge to find the difference between two numbers. The children will also be exploring the different properties of both 2D and 3D shapes. |
| **Science** | **Computing** |
| Our first unit of work will be investigating animal habitats in the local area and understanding how an animal survives there. We will then move on to electricity, where we will begin by sorting electrical and non-electrical appliances. The children will then investigate circuits and the equipment needed to create a successful circuit. | In our computing lessons this term the children will continue using the program Scratch and will link this to our Literacy topic of traditional tales. The children will create their own fairy tale character and setting. They will then use Microsoft Word to write a detailed description of it. |
| **Geography** | **History** |
| In geography this term we will be comparing life in the UK to life in Brazil. The children will not only explore the life of a Brazilian child, but will also look at the locational differences of Brazil and the UK. | Our learning will focus on the history of the Olympic games and how they have changed over the years. We will also look at last years games in Brazil to make a comparison of the modern and ancient games. |
| **Art** | **D&T** |
| In Art we will be creating movement pictures, which will link to our history topic on the Olympic games. | This term the children will be using their sewing skills to design and make a hero and villain puppet. |
| **PE** | **PSHE** |
| During indoor PE on Tuesdays, we will start with a dance and movement unit related to our Literacy work on traditional tales. For outside PE, we will continue developing our ball skills. Then move on to participating in team games. | Our work in PSHE this term will focus on the headings 'Say no to bullying' and 'Getting on and falling out'. |
| **RE** ||
| Our learning will focus on belonging to different religious groups and the important journeys that they make. ||

I will send out homework on Fridays, which will be due in the following Wednesday.

With thanks,

Mrs Pearce