

Les Landes School

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Year 2
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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the Summer Term, we hope you all had a relaxing Easter break and you got to spend time with family and friends.

Routines

Please continue to support your child to ensure they are in school between 8:30 and 8:45 and that they have all they need for that day (reading record, spelling book, times table book).

English

We will be spending most of this term doing lots of extended pieces of writing where the children will be applying all the grammar, punctuation and spelling objectives they have learned so far. The children will be creating their own non-fiction booklets and creating a Grenada fact sheet/poster. We will be reading a range of fiction and non-fiction texts linked to our topics to inspire the children's creative writing. In Poetry, we will be looking at some classic poems and doing some performance poetry.

Mathematics

In Maths this term, we will be learning about fractions, time, statistics and position and direction. We will also be consolidating the work done over the whole year. In fractions we will be learning about parts and whole, finding and recognising a half, a quarter, a third and three-quarters, counting in fractions up to a whole and understanding that a half and two quarters are equivalent. In time we will be learning about o'clock, half past, quarter past, quarter to, how to tell the time past the hour, to the hour, to five minutes, know how many minutes there are in an hour and how many hours are in a day. In statistics we will be learning about tally charts, tables, block diagrams and pictograms. In position and direction we will be learning about the language related to position and will describe movement and turns.

Computing

This term, our computing units focus on programming. Our units are 'Robot Algorithms' and 'Programming Quizzes'. In 'Robot Algorithms', the children will develop their understanding of instructions in sequences and the use of logical reasoning to predict outcomes. They will use given commands in different orders to investigate how the order affects the outcome and they will learn about design in programming. They will develop artwork and test it for use in a program and they will design algorithms and then test them as programs and debug them. In 'Programming Quizzes' they begin to understand that sequences of commands have an outcome and make predictions based on their learning.

Other Subjects

In Geography, the children will learn to compare and contrast another island. We will learn about the geography of Grenada and the specific things that make it unique. We will celebrate our learning at the end of the topic with 'Grenada Day' where will dress up, make masks and headdresses, sample some mocktails and eat some traditional Caribbean food! We will attempt to recreate the colour and culture of this island in our classroom! Further details to follow.

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In Science, the children will learn about the uses of everyday materials including wood, plastic, metal, glass, brick, paper and cardboard. Children then go on to compare the suitability of different everyday materials for different purposes. They explore how objects made of some everyday materials can change shape and how the recycling process is able to reuse some everyday materials numerous times. It finishes with children learning about new discoveries which have made over time with a specific focus on John McAdam.

This term, in PE, we will be covering locomotor skills which include running, dodging and jumping. Also, object control skills like throwing and catching, dribbling with feet and hands, and rolling. We will be putting these skills into various games. In Dance, the children will be doing country dancing and having a go at creating their own moves. In Gymnastics, the children will have the opportunity to improve their balancing, rolling and movement alongside using the larger apparatus.

PE will be on **Mondays** and **Tuesdays**.

Homework

Spellings- New spellings will continue to be given out on Monday and the children will be tested the following Monday. It would be appreciated if someone could help them with practising spellings at home at least 3 times a week.

Nightly reading- The children will have a group reading session on a Monday and will come home with a new book on this day. Our other class reading session will be a whole class reading session where children will learn and practise their reading skills together. Please read with your child nightly and sign their reading record book. Some of the books that your child will be reading are increasing in length and difficulty, so don't feel under pressure to read the whole book each night. Talking about the book is very important, and it is also important that your child reads other texts at home of their own choice. We are really focusing on creating enjoyment and a passion for reading. If your child is reading their own books now they can continue to read a book of their choice each night. Reading to you is still important as you can support the understanding of the definitions of new vocabulary and the context.

Maths- Continue to work in the times table booklets (2x, 5x and 10x) to support your child with their rapid recall. The end of Year 2 expectation is for them to know their 2, 5 and 10 times tables and the corresponding division facts. They will not be marked as they are to aid their learning and a resource that can be used at home. There are games on the school website to support this also for example, hit the button. We will check them to make sure they are being completed regularly so should always be in their book bags each day.

Additional Information

As the warmer weather approaches (we hope), it is very important that the children apply sunscreen before they come to school and wear or bring a sunhat with them. They may bring a roll on suncream to apply themselves and top up at lunchtime.

If you have questions regarding any of the above, please do not hesitate to pop in or send me an email.

Yours faithfully,

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