



**Next Week in Year 2**  
**Week Beginning 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

<b>What we will be doing in school</b>	<b>How you can help at home</b>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Maths- Multiplication</u></b></p> <p>This week we will look at multiplication which will include a range of elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Looking at times tables and linking our counting skills in 2s, 3s and 5s to the times tables.</li><li>• The concept of repeated addition and how this links to multiplication e.g. <math>2+2+2=6</math>    <math>3 \times 2=6</math></li><li>• Using arrays to explore multiplication e.g.</li></ul> <div style="text-align: center;"> <math>4 \times \square = 8</math></div> <p>Challenge: Recognising division as the inverse of multiplication: <math>3 \times 5 = 15</math>    <math>15 \div 3 = 5</math>    <math>15 \div 5 = 3</math></p>	<p>The children will be given strategies for working out their multiplication tables, but it frees up ever such a lot of brain space if they can put it in their long term memory rather than having to work it out every time! This takes a bit of time, so it's a really great thing to do at home- a little bit each day:</p> <p>Write out the tables and their answers.</p> <p>Write out the facts on post it notes, stick them all over the house and play a treasure hunt with them. When they are all found, put them in order.</p> <p>Get your child to make a times table quiz for you! In being the quiz master they will have to know and check the answers you give. (See what happens when you get one wrong!!)</p> <p>Excellent advice here: <a href="https://komodomath.com/blog/a-parents-guide-to-learning-times-tables">https://komodomath.com/blog/a-parents-guide-to-learning-times-tables</a></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>English- India</u></b></p> <p>This week we will be traveling to India and seeing what a wonderful country it is, alive with music and culture, not to mention the delicious spices and spectacular sights there are. The children will be immersed in this environment and will be writing a holiday brochure persuading travellers to pick India as their next destination! We will look in some depth at the Taj Mahal and discover the story behind why it was built and why it is one of the new seven wonders of the world.</p>	<p>Keep reading at home with your child every day. When you read with them see if they can add in any exciting expanded noun phrases into some sentences.</p> <div style="text-align: center;"></div>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Topic-What a Wonderful World!</u></b></p> <p><b>Geography:</b> We will use a range of sources this week to find out all about India. Working in groups, we will find out about one aspect of the country, such as food or traditions, then report back to the class to create a fact file.</p> <p><b>Science:</b> We will be investigating how to make a bulb light up and what happens when we change the circuit, for example, adding more batteries. We will learn about Thomas Edison and his invention of the long lasting light bulb.</p> <p><b>Art:</b> We will begin to turn our attention to the Christmas decorations for the school. Each class will prepare a Christmas display for the hall. The grand reveal will be on the 29<sup>th</sup> November.</p> <p><b>PSHE:</b> The children will be reading the story of 'Ruby's Worry' by Tom Percival and discussing what they can do with their worries and who they can speak to.</p> <p>We have two PE sessions:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Turquoise - Tuesday Afternoon</b> <b>Thursday afternoon</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Indigo - Tuesday Afternoon</b> <b>Thursday afternoon</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Amber - Monday Afternoon</b> <b>Thursday afternoon</b></p> <p>This term the children will be having lessons in dance and gymnastics. Our dance lessons will link to countries from around the world.</p> <p><b>Music:</b> We will be learning our songs, poems and readings for the Christmas Concert!</p>	<p>Talk with your child about countries they have visited. Have a look at a world map and identify the continent it is in. Talk about different traditions that you celebrate as a family and compare these to another country.</p> <p>Please support your child in learning the words to the Christmas songs. There will also be a poem to learn for each class.</p>
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**Dates:**

Theme Day: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

Year Two Christmas Concert: 13<sup>th</sup> December

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Year Two Pantomime at the Theatre: 13<sup>th</sup> December

**Please could you start bringing in cardboard boxes (big enough to fit your child's head inside). This is for an art project we will be starting the first day back in January.**

Have a great week!

The Year 2 Team