

## English

This term the children will be writing character descriptions based on the stories 'The Great Dragon Rescue,' and 'The Twits.'

They will be looking in more detail at what makes a character's personality and appearance and putting these into descriptive sentences. They will also start to look at non-fiction books linked to our mini-beast topic to support writing a report and a diary on the life-cycle of a butterfly. The focus for the start of term 5 will be comprehension in preparation for the KS1 tests.

**Home Learning:** Please continue to support your child's learning of the spellings sent home and encourage them to use a cursive style of writing at home or practise their letter formation.

## Maths

This term the children will be ordering numbers as well as measurements, fractions and amounts of money. They will re-cap capacity and measuring correctly, along with recognising the different forms of measuring such as weight, length and capacity.

The children will continue to strengthen their written methods in addition and subtraction and begin to solve two step word problems focusing on understanding the important information and choosing the correct operation.

# Year 2 Terms 5 Minibeasts

## TESTS

The children will continue to become familiar with various questions and papers in support and readiness for the test papers in May.

**SMSC:** We will look at the respect that living things need to be treated with and how to make a difference in our own community. This may involve linking with caring for our own environments.

## PE

PE will cover outdoor team sports this term. The children have begun to learn the very basics of rugby and we will continue to develop this and practise athletics challenges in preparation for sports day. We will also begin to look at the skills needed to play tennis.

## RE

We will be looking at the themes of 'Prayer and Worship' and 'Our Special Community.'

## Art and DT

The children will be making their own mini-beast this term for our class display.

They will use water colours this term to think about Spring and how it is evident in the UK and their community. This will involve different resources such as: water colours, chalk and ink marbling.

## Topic: Minibeasts (Science based continuing into Term 6)

### **Plants**

We will:

- Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants
- Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

### **Living things and their habitats**

We will:

- Make comparisons between living and non-living.
- Look at habitats and recognise what each individual animal studied needs in their habitat to survive.
- Identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including micro-habitats.
- Begin to identify food chains.

Our science work will include lots of practical investigations and a trip to the Horton Kirby Environmental Centre in June!

## Italian

The children will be practising greetings and numbers. They will learn about the weather, the four seasons and revise the days of the

## Music

The children will be having lessons with Mrs Rimmer.