

**English:**

In English we are continuing to learn and write using a range of writing styles including writing a narrative, letters, instructions, character descriptions, reports and recounting a real life event.

To help inspire their writing we are immersing the children with the traditional tale of Rumpelstiltskin and the more modern story of Traction Man.

In their writing children will learn about using subordinating and coordinating conjunctions to expand sentences, different sentence types including statements, questions, commands and exclamatory sentences and to add detail to writing we will teach children to use expanded noun phrases, verbs, adverbs and suffixes.

History/Geography:

In Geography this term, Year 2 will be learning about Antarctica and Australia. They will learn how to identify these countries using globes, maps and atlases. They will recognise landmarks and physical and human features on the landscape. They will be able to compare the similarities and differences between two places.

Home learning for the term:

- Reading for 20 minutes a day
- Practicing times tables and related division facts
- Practise spellings every day

Maths:

This term in Year 2 we are learning the following chapters, length, mass, temperature and picture graphs.

In length, pupils will get a better understanding of how to measure length, understand what a metre is and what centimetres are and how to use them in real-life contexts.

In mass, they will learn about mass using kilograms and grams. They will learn how to read a scale, to compare the weight of different objects and to solve word problems.

In temperature, children will learn about Celsius and how to read thermometers.

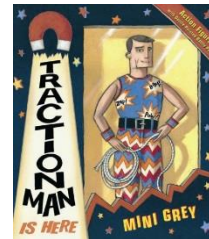
In picture graphs, pupils will learn how to read, interpret, analyse and construct their own picture graphs.

Overall linking theme:

Rumpelstiltskin



Traction man

**Art & Design/ Design & Technology:**

Year 2 will be taking part in some cooking sessions throughout the term learning basic skills of weighing, mixing and preparing food. We will also be doing various art activities linked to our current literacy unit.

Science: In Science this term Year 2 will be learning about Animals including Humans and Living things and their habitats. Pupils will learn about:

- animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults.
- find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air).
- describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.
- explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive
- identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited
- identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including microhabitats
- describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals, using the idea of a simple food chain, and identify and name different sources of

Physical Education:

Indoor PE – Dance

Outdoor PE – Running, jumping and team games.

**Religious Education:**

These term children will be exploring the beliefs of a range of religions and what is important to them.

Useful reminder/s for the term: Could children start collecting old (clean) socks in preparation for making sock puppets in February. Remind all children to become a Times Table Rock Legend by practising every day and playing online on Times Tables Rock stars!