

Summer 2 Newsletter Year 2

Welcome to the final term in Year 2! Our new topic is 'Islands', and we have already been to Sark for a day trip to compare the features of the island with our own island of Jersey. It was such a fantastic day – a really big thank you to all parents who came and helped.



Topic



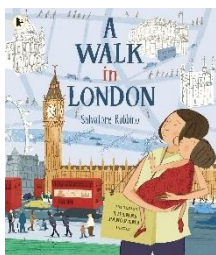
Throughout our topic of 'Islands' we will be delving into knowledge about different islands, examining how islands form and comparing islands in different areas, looking at the similarities and differences between them. We have already looked at Sark and the life on the island, and how it is different to life here in Jersey.

Art



During this half term the children will focus on 3D sculptures by Jersey artists. They will use their construction skills to make clay sculptures of fish and houses.

English



Our first Text Driver is A Walk in London which focuses on the information we get from non-fiction books. We will be looking at the walk around London and comparing it to our parish of St Brelade. What things could we walk around and see? The children will then be using their own knowledge to write a factual leaflet about Jersey and places we can see and visit around the island.



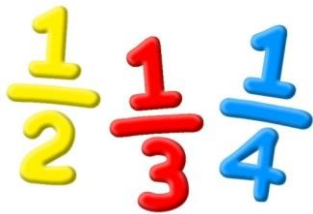
Our second Text Driver this term is Grandma Bird. This book is set on a remote island, which will continue to inspire us as we learn about Sark. We will also be learning more about drawing conclusions by developing our inference skills.

Throughout the last term we have been looking at using the past tense and the children have been practising these spellings and using the words in sentences. However, as we have been doing this work, we have noticed that many children are not using the past tense correctly in their speech, and therefore not able to use it or write it correctly. For example, saying 'caught' instead of 'caught', 'falled' instead of 'fell' or 'writted' instead of 'wrote'. If you hear your child using the past tense incorrectly in their speech, then please gently correct them and remind them of the right word to use. It will really help us in helping them to achieve their literacy goals.

Teach Handwriting

We are continuing to focus on handwriting and presentation this term, with a big focus on joining our handwriting all the time. If you want to see some of the handwriting resources, they are freely available at teachhandwriting.co.uk.

Maths



This half term we are learning about fractions. The unit provides a review of previously learnt concepts and then we move on to find fractions of whole numbers and quantities. The unit focuses on halves, quarters and thirds. We will compare and order fractions and learn to count in quarters and thirds and finish the unit by finding parts of a set.

PE



Just a reminder that PE days this half term are as follows:

2A Miss Morris' Class: Tuesday and Wednesday

2B Mrs Betts' Class: Tuesday and Wednesday

P.E sessions will be continuing to focus on developing skills needed to help us in our Sports Day. We are learning how to safely jump hurdles, throwing and hitting targets, working as a team, as well as showing off our individual skills.

PSHE



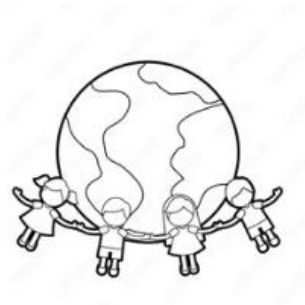
The children will be taking part in a series of workshops called 'Keeping Myself Safe and Well' which is a programme delivered by a Jersey education welfare officer every Thursday afternoon. Please note that the class teacher will also be present throughout these sessions. A letter has already been emailed to all parents, **however should you have any concerns about this topic please contact 'Vicki Frederick' (Education welfare officer) on 449493 or**

v.frederick@gov.je

If you would like to have a look at the Sex and Relationship Education Policy, it is on the La Moye school website. The Appendix sets out clearly the learning objectives for Year 2.

<https://www.lamoye.sch.je/attachments/download.asp?file=886&type=pdf>

RE



In RE this half term we will be looking at the question ‘What makes some places special to believers?’ and will be comparing different religions that we have looked at so far.

Useful Websites

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds>

<https://www.busythings.co.uk/play/> (**Login** = home8972 **Password** = crazy8362)

<https://teachhandwriting.co.uk/cursive-joins-choice-3.html>

Please continue to read at home with your child, focussing on comprehension, asking them questions about what they have read and discussions about the book.

Should you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to ask.

Kind regards and best wishes,

Mrs Betts and Miss Morris

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Diary Dates:

15.6.25	Connect Me (Closer to Home) Event
3.7.25 and 4.7.25	Transition Days
8.7.25	Sports Day
11.7.25	Celebration of Learning Afternoon
11.7.25	Summer Fair
18.7.25	End of Term