Gorringe Park Primary School

Dear Families,
The best learning takes place when the context is meaningful and made real to the child's own life. We hope that by sharing our aims, you and your family will support your child's learning in any way you can.
If you have any skill, resources or knowledge that you can contribute and share with us at school, please see your child's class teacher.

Year 2 Spring 1

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MATHS
This term in Maths we will be deepening our understanding of money, adding coins to find a value, counting in multiples and finding the change.
Then we will be looking at multiplication and division where we will be learning about making equal group, arrays and sharing into equal groups.

ENGLISH
This term we will be reading the book Jim and the Beanstalk by Raymond Briggs. Through this text we will be looking at writing our own version of Jim and the Beanstalk and informal letters. Later in the term, we will be reading the book Bear and the Piano where we will be writing news reports.

RE
This term in RE we will be learning about the Christian Bible. We will be looking at bible and identify the Old and the New Testament. They will learn about some of the important Christian stories found in the bible.

PE
This term in PE we will be learning the skills needed to play a net and ball sport such as tennis. We will be learning how to control a ball on a racket. Then they will learn how to hit the tennis ball to a partner and over a net.

COMPUTING
In computing, we are going to become photographers. We are going to learn about lighting in photos, how to frame a photo and how to use software to edit.

SCIENCE
In Science we will be learning about Everyday Materials. We will start our learning by identifying what materials objects are made of. Then we will explore the properties of different materials through a variety of experiments such as which material would be best to repair a hole in a bucket.

ART
Our art project this term is called Flower Head. During the unit we will be exploring textures and colours found in nature. We will then use natural resources to create a collage.

MUSIC
In music we will be taking part in Bamboo Tamboo workshops.

TOPIC TITLE

Get ready to take to the high seas and set sail in search of new lands! This half term, we'll get the chance to climb aboard a real ship 'The Golden Hinde' and learn all about its voyages. We'll write about our visit, conduct research about some famous sea explorers from the past and present. We will explore when different explorers made some famous discoveries and order those on a timeline. They will then learn about the explorer and privateer Sir Francis Drake and think about some questions you would like to learn about him when we visit his ship the Golden Hinde. They will then use what they learnt on our trip to write a diary entry in the role of a sailor on the Golden Hinde.

Help your child prepare for their project

Have a look at a world map and identify which country your family comes from originally. Look up some information about some famous explores that have travelled the globe by boat in search for land and treasure. Use scrap materials to design a model of a ship from the Golden Age of Discovery.