

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Year 2 at Mayfield.

In Autumn One our topic is:



In Autumn Two our topic is:



Frozen Planet

The curriculum will be focused on the following topics:

	Autumn 1 and 2
English	Consolidating understanding of sentence structure: capital letters, full stops; nouns; using 'or' and 'but' within a sentence; asking questions using question marks Guided Reading will centre on retrieval, inference and prediction using a range of different text types.
Maths	Number bonds; counting to 100; place value; odd and even numbers; addition and subtraction (linked to money); times tables
Science	Animals, including humans – how do they change and grow, what do they need to survive? Life cycles. Learning how animals have adapted to survive in the harsh conditions in polar regions. Working Scientifically (learning skills to think like a scientist).
History	How toys have changed over time, order toys chronologically, identify similarities and differences between 'then' and 'now'. Describe historical events and significant people and their achievements. Use artefacts, pictures and stories to find out about the past.
Geography	Understand geographical similarities and differences between the UK and Antarctica and the Arctic.
Computing	Computing systems and networks – I.T around us. Creative media – digital photography
RE	Sikhism – learning through stories and about how Sikh children's lives are influenced by their faith.
Music	Singing. Listening, playing and composing – The Nutcracker.
Art and DT	Learning drawing techniques. Developing painting and colour mixing skills.
PSHE	Rules and responsibilities. Friends and family.
PE	Outdoor – multi-skills involving balls, dodging (invasion games) Indoor – Gymnastics-exploring pathways Swimming – weather permitting

PE lessons

Tuesdays inside-when it gets colder : shorts and t-shirt

Tuesday 12th, and 19th Swimming: towel (named), goggles and swimming costume (named) needed whilst the pool is open and it is warm)

Thursdays. The children do need to wear a pair of shoes that are safe to run around in for outside (i.e. trainers).

Cloakroom

Please ensure **everything** is named, in particular cardigans and jumpers. All of the children require a named water bottle.

Homework

Homework will be set on Seesaw which is an app that can be used on computers, iPads and iPhone. It's used in Years 2 – 6 and is similar to Tapestry. It is great for children to revise the learning covered in class again. You can also upload photos/videos that the children would like to share with us/the class and we can upload photos from school too. More information will be given on Seesaw at 'Meet the Year 2 Teachers' evening on 21st September 2023.

Book bags

Please send the children into school with their book bags each day - we would encourage you to purchase the blue book bags from the school office as they are much sturdier than plastic wallets. The children can come in and change their books when they are ready for a new one.

If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch. There will also be an opportunity to find out more and ask questions at our 'Meet the Teacher' session on Thursday 21st September 6.30 - 7pm.

Yours sincerely,

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The Year 2 Team