



New City Primary School

This term we are doing some very interesting and exciting things. We are keen to encourage parents and carers to help in their child's learning at home and as such we are providing you with this overview of what we shall be teaching at school. We also value any resources that you can contribute related to any of our topics. We also ask you to help us by making sure that all homework is completed. If you have any queries please feel free to have a chat with us.

Year group: 2 Spring Term 2017

<u>Mathematics</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>Science</u>
In the spring term children will be deepening their understanding of mathematics. They will be continuing to develop their understanding of place value and fractions as well as carrying out sums to solve problems. They will be explaining how they solved problems. Children will be practising their 2x, 3x 5x 10x tables.	In English children will be developing their literacy skills through studying a range of texts including Prince Cinders, Princess Smartypants Breaks the Rules and Animal Homes. Children will be developing their grammar, punctuation and spelling to write extended pieces of writing and answer comprehension questions about the books they are reading.	In science we will be studying why food is important to us and helps keep us healthy. We will be exploring a range of food and investigate healthy diets. In the second half of the spring term we will be investigating the properties of a range of materials and finding out what happens when different materials are heated.
<u>Art/DT/Geography/History/Music</u>		
In the first half of the spring term children will be learning about British monarchs. They will study King Henry VIII, Queen Elizabeth 1 st and 2 nd and Queen Victoria. They will discover the impact the monarchs had on people. In the second half of the term the pupils will be finding out about Australia. Using maps at a variety of scales, they will locate Australia, and its surrounding seas and oceans, and then find out about the different environments and landmarks within Australia itself. As part of the topic they will also study the differing lifestyles and cultures of the native Aborigines and Australian people. In art children will be drawing portraits based on the portraits of Kings and Queens. In music they will be listening to a range of Blues music.		
<u>Religious Education</u>	<u>P.E</u>	<u>PSHCE</u>
We are lucky to be living in such a diverse community here in Plaistow. In religious education Year 2 will be thinking about the world and where it came from. In this unit children will be given the opportunity to learn about creation stories and beliefs in different religions.	In physical education children will be developing their hand and eye coordination as well as their team skills through playing hockey and football.	During this term children will be identifying what helps them with their learning and how they can help themselves achieve their goals. They will be developing their understanding of how to care for other animals.
<u>Computing</u>	<u>Homework</u>	<u>Educational Visits</u>
During the spring term children will have the opportunity to use a range of ICT equipment to develop their computing skills including cameras and research engines.	In Year 2, children will receive daily homework. We will ask children to bring their book bags everyday to get used to taking more responsibility. We will change books often to develop and consolidate their reading and comprehension skills. Monday - Spellings Tuesday - English - Bug Club etc Wednesday - Maths; this may be an online activity such as Mathletics Thursday - Mental Maths - Timetables Friday - Foundation subject/written piece of work to be returned on Monday. We will ask for your support to encourage children to read everyday and complete their homework daily.	We will be organising our trips in the coming term and will inform you of dates and venues when they have been confirmed.



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