



# PARKSIDE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely winter break. Below is an overview of what we are planning to cover this term with our Year 2 pupils.

Maths	We will be following the Essential Maths Scheme and looking at Statistics, Written Addition and Subtraction using two digit numbers, Time, Doubles and Halves, Multiplication and Division. It is important that the children begin to learn the 2,3, 5 and 10 times tables.
English	The children will continue to take part in spelling and phonics lessons. Spelling tests will be on a Friday; please help your child learn these each week. We will start the term learning how to write a report using Non-Fiction books about Sharks. We will then move onto fiction writing in the form of a fairy story based on Rapunzel and end with Calligrams. In the second half of the term we will write letters and postcards based on the story Meerkat Mail, followed by writing Traditional Tales that use recurring language and ending with the Sound Collector poem.
History	In History the children will learn about the Romans in Britain. They will learn about the life of Boudicca, Hadrian's Wall and the legacy the Romans left in Britain.
Geography	In Geography the children will learn about the oceans and continents of the world. They will learn about the cultural features of the UK. They will also do a direct comparison of St. Lucia and the UK.
Science	In Science we will be looking at the properties of different materials and their suitability for purpose. The children will conduct several investigations and experiments.
Art	In Art the children will learn about colour, shape and texture. They will study the works of Matisse, Durer and Jan Van Eyck.
DT	In DT the children will design a shoebox house. They will learn techniques to join materials and reinforce for stability and then evaluate their final product. Please start collecting clean junk modelling materials and a shoebox.
RE	In RE the children will look at the idea of justice and fairness. They will look at various religious stories and their meanings. They will look at what is considered right and wrong. In the second half of the term they will explore why people pray and the Easter story.
Computing	In computing the children will be following the Purple Mash Scheme of work. They will cover a unit on spreadsheets by using the calculate tool. They will then move into a linked unit about databases and questioning using 2question and 2investigate
PE	The children continue to swim all year on a Tuesday.
SMSC/PSHE	Our units this term are 'Dreams and Goals' and 'Healthy Me'. Children will be discussing their own dreams and goals and actions that they can do to help achieve them and will be learning about healthy eating, being physically active and staying calm.

PE- We will continue to swim all year on a Tuesday, please ensure your child has a towel, swimming cap and swimming costume in a waterproof bag.

Uniform- Please ensure your child has the correct uniform and footwear. Earrings should be studs and no jewelry should be worn unless faith related.

Water- Children may bring a water bottle but they also have access to the fountains.

Home Learning- Your child is expected to read daily at home. Please ensure that you listen to them read and sign their reading diary. They will have weekly spellings and will be tested on a Friday.

If you have any questions please feel free to email Mrs Weinstein