

Newton Tony Primary School CE VC

Summer Term 2 – Foxes Class

What is beyond the Horizon?

Upcoming Events

Wednesday & Friday – PE

Friday – Spelling check

Phonics Screening – W/C 8/6/26

Beach trip – 3/7/26

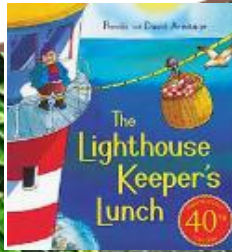
Sports Day – 10/7/26

English

Using the book *The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch*, we will be learning to talk about the story and discuss its key features, orally retell the story, explore the plot, characters and setting, and develop ideas for a similar story.

We will write a warning poster to stop the seagulls from stealing Mr Grinling's lunch. We will write a message to Mr and Mrs Grinling offering advice about how to protect the lunch basket. Finally, we will write our own story where we have changed one element of the story.

We are reading...



We will continue to develop handwriting skills. Year one will use the Little Wandle letter formation rhymes to support formation, with an introduction to diagonal joins.

Year two will continue to use cursive formation.

Maths

We will continue to develop our understanding of multiplication and division before moving on to money, where we will explore different coins and notes and learn how to compare their values. We will then study mass, capacity, temperature, time, weight and volume. In our time unit, children will learn to tell the time on an analogue clock to the nearest hour, half past, quarter past and quarter to. Year 2 pupils will extend this learning by telling the time to the nearest 5 minutes. Towards the end of the term, we will consolidate the key mathematical concepts covered throughout the year, with a particular focus on strengthening mental arithmetic skills and problem-solving strategies. Children will explore a range of problems and learn to choose the most efficient methods to solve them accurately and confidently.

Phonics/Spelling

Year One

We will continue revising previously learnt graphemes in preparation for the Phonics Screen Check. After this, the focus will move to alternative graphemes and revisiting learnt tricky words to support reading and spelling.

Year Two

We will begin the new term looking at words where the letters ti make a sh sound and identifying spelling patterns and rules. We will then learn how to use possessive apostrophes and finish with a recap in preparation for their move to Key Stage 2.

Science

For our final science topic of the academic year, we will explore the fascinating world of oceans and marine life. We will investigate rock pool habitats, learning how living things meet their needs and adapt to changing conditions. We will also look at the life cycles of different ocean animals, comparing similarities and differences between them.

We will then investigate the impact of litter on ocean environments. We will explore different types of litter, consider how human actions affect marine habitats and food chains, and discuss ways to reduce pollution in our oceans. Through practical investigations, we will observe how different materials change when left in water and use their findings to decide which materials are most harmful to marine environments. We will also learn about the important work of marine biologists and use tally charts and pictograms to record and compare data about ocean life.

Geography

What is it like to live by the coast?

We will learn about the seas and oceans surrounding the UK and locate them on maps and atlases. We will use compass points to describe locations and develop our map-reading skills.

We will explore coastal areas, identifying physical features such as beaches and cliffs, as well as human features found in coastal towns. We will learn how people use the coast and investigate a local coastal area through fieldwork.

We will also collect and record data using tally charts and pictograms and learn how the local coast has changed over time.

Art

Drawing: Understanding tone and texture

We will explore a range of drawing materials and experiment with different ways of creating marks, textures and tones. We will learn how artists use shading to show light and dark and practise controlling their pencil work to create different effects.

We will develop our sketching skills by drawing simple shapes, refining outlines and making improvements to our work. We will also explore facial expressions and poses, using photographs to support our observational drawing.

Music

Pitch: Musical Me

We will explore high and low sounds through singing, listening and playing instruments. We will learn to recognise pitch patterns, follow simple notation from left to right and identify when notes move, stay the same or are missing.

We will also create our own representations of high and low sounds and develop our understanding of how music can be written down and performed.

PSHE

Economic Wellbeing and Transition

We will recognise that people make different choices about savings and spending. We will also recognise that different skills are needed for different jobs. We will also be looking at transition and speaking about moving into a new school year and saying we will be saying goodbye to our Year 2's.

Computing

We will learn how to stay safe online by understanding what information is appropriate to share and why strong passwords are important. We will explore the importance of asking permission before sharing content and learn that we have a right to keep our personal information private.

We will also discuss who we can talk to if we have worries online and begin to recognise ways of checking whether information we find online is reliable.

PE

This term on a Wednesday, we will be focusing on preparing for sports day and doing different target games. Target games are fundamental PE activities designed to develop children's fundamental movement skills—specifically throwing, rolling, and aiming.

On Fridays, PE sports will also work on sports day activities and Athletics.

RE

We will learn about prophets and other important religious figures, exploring why they are special to different faiths. Through stories and discussion, we will learn about Muhammad, Jesus and Guru Nanak and why they are respected by Muslims, Christians and Sikhs.

We will also reflect on the qualities of a prophet and what makes someone an inspiring leader.