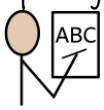
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Welcome to Year 2! Please find our key learning for this term outlined below.

Subject	Theme/Topic	Key Learning
Writing 	**Narrative:** Character description	This half term, pupils will be exploring the story *Jack and the Baked Beanstalk*. They will learn how to write character descriptions using adjectives and nouns to describe a character's appearance and personality. This will include exploring the following grammatical techniques: - Third person (he, his) - Adjectives - Nouns - Conjunctions - Capital letters - Full stops - Expanded nouns phases - Present tense
	Instructions	Later in the half term, pupils will learn how to write clear and organised instructions. They will explore the key features of instructional writing, including commands, adverbs such as *carefully* and *slowly*, and sequencing words such as *first*, *next*, *then* and *finally*. Pupils will learn how to write steps in the correct order and explain how actions should be carried out.
Spelling 	Spelling Rules + Homophones	Suffixes: es to nouns and verbs ending -y e.g., baby → babies story → stories fly → flies cry → cries try → tries sun, son night, knight
	Spelling words to learn at home	because most, only, both old, gold, cold, hold, told find, kind, mind, behind, child, children, wild, climb, eye Practise if not secure on: anyone, over, wasn't, through, once, son, whole, people
Reading 	Phonics and exploring texts	This half term, reading lessons will be tailored to meet pupils' individual needs. Some pupils will focus on developing and refining their phonics skills. This will involve practising letter sounds and spelling patterns, as well as reading phrases and sentences more fluently. This will help them become more confident and independent readers. Pupils will also focus on reading comprehension, developing their understanding of texts. They will use the VIPERS reading skills: - Vocabulary (understanding word meanings)

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		- Inference (finding clues in the text) - Prediction (thinking about what might happen next) - Explanation (understanding why an author has made certain choices) Retrieval (what happened to…?) - Summarising (retelling the main events or ideas) These skills will help develop pupils' reading comprehension and fluency.
Maths 	Understanding how numbers are made up of ten	This half term, pupils will revisit and build on the maths skills they learned in Year 1. They will practise number facts, count in tens and learn to recognise numbers up to 100. Pupils will also explore how numbers can be grouped into tens and use this understanding to add and subtract. This will help prepare them for future maths learning throughout Year 2.
	Counting and working with numbers from 20 to 99	In this unit, pupils will practise counting forwards and backwards to 100. They will learn to recognise and represent numbers from 20 to 99 in different ways, including using a number line. Pupils will also use these numbers when measuring and comparing lengths.
	Comparing and ordering 2-digit numbers	This half term, pupils will learn about 2-digit numbers. They will practise splitting numbers into tens and ones and placing them on a number line. These activities will help prepare them for working with larger numbers and calculations later in the year.
	Securing addition and subtraction within ten	Pupils will be revisiting addition and subtraction facts to 10 to help build their confidence. They will practise using different strategies to solve calculations. This will help prepare them for adding and subtracting larger numbers beyond 20 later in the year.
	Calculating within 20	Pupils will build on their addition skills by using number facts they already know to solve new calculations. They will practise adding three numbers together and learn helpful strategies, such as finding pairs that make 10 first. Pupils will also explore how numbers can be rearranged to make calculations easier. These skills will help prepare them for adding larger numbers beyond 20 later in the year.
Science 	Living things and their habitats	In this unit, pupils will be learning about **living things and their habitats**. They will explore the differences between things that are living, dead and things that have never been alive. Pupils will also investigate a variety of habitats and learn how plants and animals are suited to the places in which they live. They will learn about simple food chains, exploring how living things depend on one another to survive.
History 	The Great Fire of London	This half term, pupils will be learning about the **Great Fire of London.** They will explore how and why the fire started, how it spread through London and the impact it had on people's lives. Pupils will investigate the events of the fire over several days and learn about key historical figures, including Samuel Pepys and King Charles II.
Art 	Explore, draw and mono print	In this unit, pupils will use the natural environment as inspiration for their artwork. They will observe natural objects such as leaves, twigs, flowers and stones, developing their drawing of these objects. They will also explore mono printing and create their own prints inspired by the work of artists.

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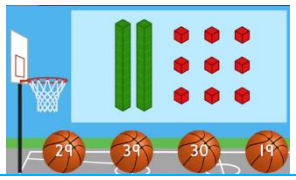
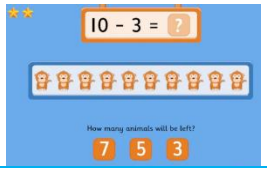
Design Technology 	Levers and sliders	In this unit, pupils will learn about levers and sliders. They will explore how they work and use paper and card to make pictures that move. Pupils will develop their cutting, folding and joining skills while making their creations. This will help pupils develop an understanding of how simple mechanisms help things move.
PE 	Running, jumping and dodging	In this PE unit, pupils will be developing their running, jumping and dodging skills through a range of games and physical activities. They will learn how and when to dodge to avoid obstacles or opponents, improving their agility. Pupils will build confidence in applying these skills in simple team and individual games. Pupils will also focus on different types of jumps, practising how to take off and land safely and with control.
	Health and wellbeing: agility, balance and coordination	In this PE unit, pupils will learn about agility, balance and coordination. They will learn why these skills are important for staying active and healthy. Through a range of fun activities, games and simple circuits, pupils will develop these skills. They will be encouraged to improve their own performance and celebrate their personal achievements.
RE 	Who is a Muslim and how do they live?	In this unit, pupils will learn about Islam and some of the beliefs that are important to Muslims. They will explore who Muslims believe God is, including learning about the Shahadah (the Muslim declaration of faith). Pupils will also learn about the Five Pillars of Islam and discover how these beliefs and practices, including prayer, help guide the daily lives of Muslims around the world.
PSHE 	Me and my relationships	In this unit, pupils will learn how to build positive relationships and work well with others. They will discuss how to be respectful, explore different feelings and emotions and learn ways to support their own wellbeing. Pupils will also learn what it means to be a good friend. They will explore different types of bullying; understand why bullying is wrong and learn what they should do if they encounter bullying.
	Valuing Difference	In this unit, pupils will explore the similarities and differences between people and families. They will learn that although we are different, we should treat each other with kindness and respect. Pupils will think about the important people in their lives and the role they play in caring for them. They will learn how acts of kindness can make a positive difference.
Music 	Pulse	In this unit, pupils will develop their understanding of pulse and rhythm. They will learn to keep a steady beat and listen carefully to different rhythms. Pupils will explore the building blocks of music, including **pulse, beat, rhythm, tempo, rests, ostinatos and stick notation**. They will learn how these musical elements work together to create and organise music.
Computing 	Information technology around us	In this unit, pupils will learn what information technology (IT) is and explore different types of technology. They will identify a range of electronic devices and discuss their features and purposes. Pupils will also learn how technology can make tasks easier at home, in school and in the wider world. Furthermore, the unit will help pupils understand how to use technology safely and responsibly.

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PE Days	
Mondays	Wednesdays

Homework		
Reading	Read your reading book	5 days per week (10 minutes)
Spelling	Practise your spelling words for this half term (see *Spelling words to learn at home* section)	3 or more days per week (15 minutes)

Resources		
Please find other optional resources that you might choose to further support your child's learning.		
Name	Resource Type	Topic Link
Hit the button 	Website Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds - Topmarks	Number facts
Place value basketball 	Website Place Value Basketball - Dienes Game for 5 to 8 Year Olds - Topmarks	Place value
Subtraction to 10 	Website Subtraction to 10 - Topmarks	Subtraction
Phonics frog 	Website Phonics Frog (Phase 5) - Online Phonics Game	Phonics
Odd and Bob 	Website Odd And Bob (Phase 5) - Online Phonics Game	Phonics