



Year 2 Summer Term: This Is Me!



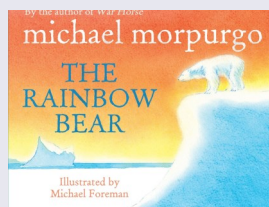
Termly overview: Over the Summer Term, year 2 will be exploring all things related to themselves. They will look at the history of Stoke-on-Trent and some of it's famous residents. They will also learn about how their bodies (as well as animals and plants) grow and develop. They will look at William Turner, learn how different religions celebrate special times with their families and learn about how coding can lead to future jobs.

As Times Table Rockstars we will:

be learning the multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. It is the expectation that children can answer these questions in under 6 seconds by the end of year 2. The children should be able to recall them at speed and this will be practised throughout the week in class. Times Table Rockstars is a great way for children to practise these at home.

As writers we will:

be focusing on two books: The Enormous Crocodile by Roald Dahl and The Rainbow Bear by Michael Morpurgo. We will also focus on repetitive poems and stories from our author of the term. The children will be continuing to develop a range of skills, but will learn how to use commas in a list and the names of the various sentence types as new skills.



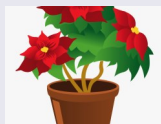
As mathematicians we will:



be focusing on a range of topics. Most of these will build on objectives learnt in the Autumn and Spring Term with some new objectives as well. We will cover place value, addition and subtraction, fractions, measurement, shape and statistics objectives. We will also be looking at telling the time and combining coins to make various amounts – these are great topics that can be practised at home when the opportunity presents itself!

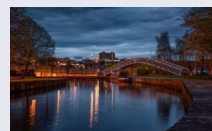
As scientists we will:

look at the growth of animals, humans and plants. We will explore the various stages of growth and what is needed to keep them alive and healthy.



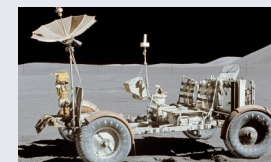
As historians we will:

be exploring the historic past of Stoke-on-Trent. We will look at how jobs have changed and why Stoke-on-Trent was well known around the world.



As designers we will:

be creating a moon buggy for Neil Armstrong to use on the moon.



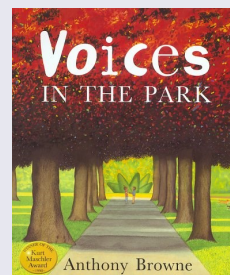
As artists we will:

look at the art of William Turner. The children will look at his seascapes and attempt create their own using paint.



Author of the Term

This term, the author of the term in year 2 is Anthony Browne. The children will be reading a range of his brilliant books. Why not explore some of his books at home!



As musicians we will:

be taught on a Tuesday afternoon by Mr Hall.



In RE / PSHE we will:

explore how various religions celebrate special times around the world. We will also look at how our emotions change

In computing we will:

be exploring coding. The children will attempt to code their own programmes.

Homework

Homework Type	Given out	Handed in
Weekly spellings linked to phonics, year 2 spelling patterns or common exception words	Friday	Following Wednesday
Online spelling games linked to spelling pattern		
Maths linked to teaching during the week.	Friday	Following Wednesday
Reading	Continuous (3 times per week at least)	

Useful Websites

<https://hillsideprimary.org.uk/home-learning/>
<https://play.itrockstars.com/>
<https://play.numbots.com/>
<https://spellingframe.co.uk/>

Educational Visits

Due to the current situation, educational visits have currently been postponed. More information will be provided in the future when educational visits are able to resume.

Reading

In Year 2, the expectation is that children read at least three times per week. You must sign and date your child's diary and ensure it is in school each day. In Year 2, books will be changed on a Friday. Reading diaries will be checked every Friday morning. In addition to this expectation, we are continuing the 'Reading Rocket' initiative for children. Children are encouraged to read at least five times over the week. In order to develop good reading habits we are asking that children read little and often throughout the week rather than on a number of occasions during the same day. The children must read on five separate days to be considered for the reading rocket prize. Those who achieve the reading rocket will receive a letter home, a small prize and be entered into a prize draw for a larger prize.

"Developing the Individual"

Important Reminders

- Please keep an eye on the Hillside app and your Parent Pay account for the latest guidance issued by the school.
- Please ensure your child's hands are sanitised before they enter the school building in the morning.
- Wherever possible, please ensure you are wearing a mask and adhering to social distancing when on the school grounds.
- Please follow the appropriate signage and ground markings on the school site.
- Please ensure children remain with whomever is dropping them off when waiting for the doors to open in the morning and whomever is picking them up when waiting to collect a sibling in the afternoon.
- Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name.
- Please ensure that your child returns their refilled water bottle to school everyday. This must contain water rather than juice.
- If your child wears earrings, please ensure they are plain stud.
- Please remember that below-shoulder length hair should be tied back. Hair accessories should be minimal and in school colours.
- Please ensure your child only brings healthy break-time snacks into school.
- If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

PE

The year 2 children will have PE on Tuesday. On Tuesday the children will be taught by our specialised P.E teacher, Dan. On this day, please ensure that your child arrives at school in a full, named PE kit including suitable footwear as some lessons will take place outside. Any earrings should be taken out before school on these days and all long hair should be tied back, as per whole school policy.