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In our SPREAD THE WORD topic we will explore how Pentecost is the time to spread the Good News. In our RULES topic we will explore how rules help us at home and in school and why we have rules in the Christian family.

In our TREASURES topic we will discover that the world is the treasure that God gave to us.

LITERACY

POETRY - we will start the term by writing some animal poetry linked to last term's habitat topic. Then, we will be writing INSTRUCTIONS about planting seeds.

GRAMMAR - we will be learning to use apostrophes for possession accurately and working on writing different sentence openers. We will also look at the use of different words to connect and extend sentences such as that, so, if etc.

SPELLING - We will be learning new spelling patterns to develop our writing skills and vocabulary.

NUMERACY

Using the Inspire Maths Scheme we will be completing our length topic before we start on multiplying by 2 and 3. We will sit our SATs in May then resume INSPIRE by looking at mental calculations and lines and surfaces.

SCIENCE: Apprentice Gardener

Time for some sun...flowers!

We will identify and name a variety of plants, write instructions for planting seeds, observe, draw and label our plants and finally make some 3D flowers.

TOPIC: Wriggle and Crawl

We have already met some wriggly creatures at the end of last term so we will be looking at life cycles, how and why bees make honey and where mini-beasts live. We will also go on a mini-beast hunt to find some in our school grounds.

ICT

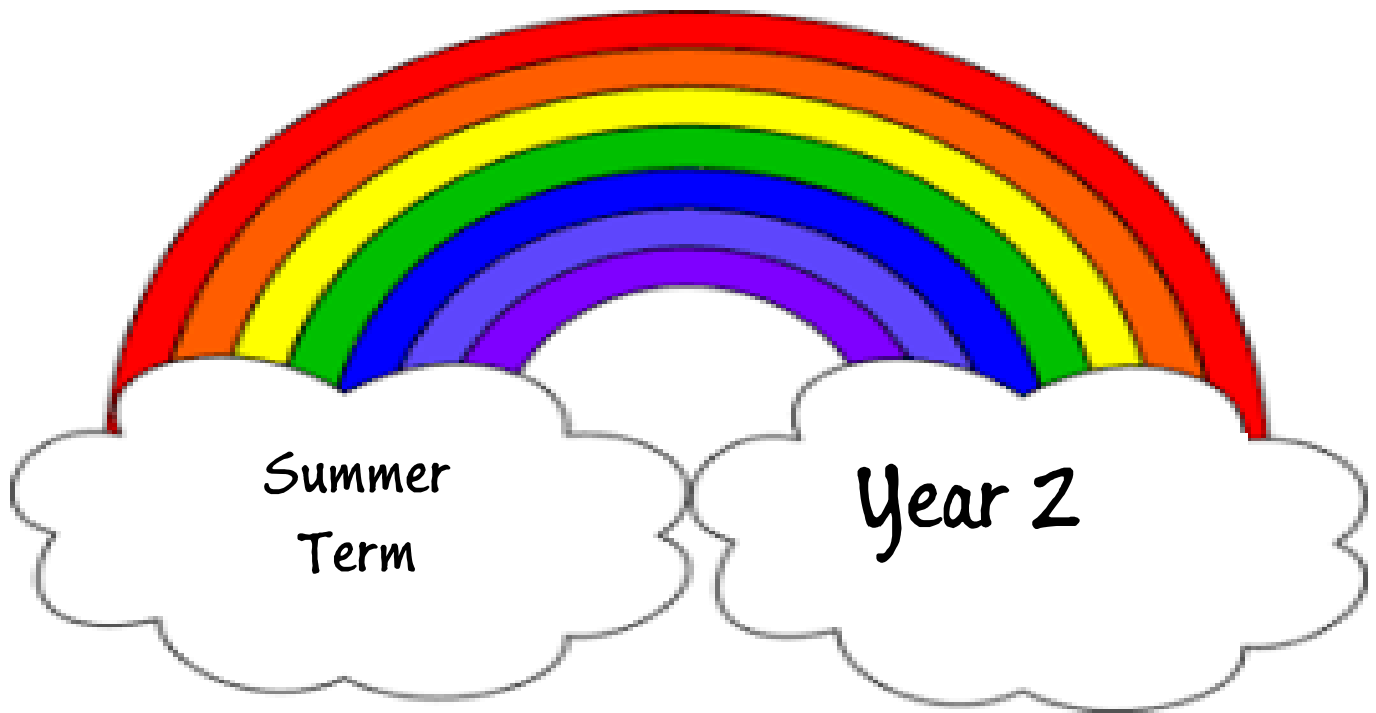
We are becoming zoologists and will be collecting and recording data. We will represent this in different ways and present our findings to the class.

PE (Tuesday and Wednesday)

Fundamental skills (coach): We will master basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and co-ordination, and begin to apply these in a range of activities!

Music

Zootime: Creating music and learning new songs related to animals.



Homework

- Literacy and numeracy homework is given each week in SATs skills books. Please support your child when completing this and mark this together.
- We will also be continuing with our half term creative projects linked to our topic.
- Please try and read with your child at least **3 times a week** and help them practice their weekly spellings.

Uniform

- A reminder that jewellery should not be worn at any time for health and safety reasons but small studs are permitted.
- Nail varnish and tattoos are also prohibited.
- Please limit the size and colour of bows to small and use school colours.
- Boys are not permitted to have a shaved heads.

PE

- Please ensure a full PE kit is provided including black/navy shorts, white, plain T-shirt and black plimsolls/trainers.
- Names must be in every garment to prevent loss.

SATs Information

The KS1 SATs are fast approaching and can be administered anytime during May. The children are well prepared and are ready for the challenge! We will be doing them in small groups spread across three weeks so please try to maintain your child's high attendance during this time.

How you can help:

- Read with your child at least 3 times a week and ask questions on what they have read.
- Encourage your child to complete some spelling activities from the spelling menu.
- Practise number bonds to 10, counting on and back, the 2, 5 and 10 times table and basic times.
- Encourage them to use maths in their time outside of school: getting change in a shop, counting coins, weighing ingredients and measuring things at home.

A member of staff will be present on the school yard each morning to discuss any issues and pass on messages to other staff members. Please do not hesitate to contact us, if you have any further questions or concerns.

Thanks you for your support,

Mrs Duffield and Mrs Micallef