

YEAR TWO CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER MYTHS AND LEGENDS

Summer 1 2019

Dear Parents and carers,

We hope you've had a lovely Spring break. The sun is (hopefully still) shining and we are getting ready for a busy half term ahead, packing lots of fun things into a short space of time.

We are starting our new topic of myths and legends which will enable us to look at tales from across the globe and across the ages.

Hook day—23rd April

We are jumping straight into our new topic on the first day back with our hook morning. We will start with an assembly from the Devon Youth Jazz Orchestra, learning about what they do and exploring different instruments. Each class will also have a workshop with them to create their own 'myths and legends' based compositions. The morning will also involve us looking at different representations of The Green Man in nature and legends, and depicting him artistically using different methods of modelling.

The children will need to **come to school in their uniform** for this day.

Upcoming dates for year 2:

23rd April—First day back and hook day and visit from Devon Youth Jazz Orchestra

26th April—SATs assembly for parents at 9am

6th May—bank holiday

14th May—enrichment day

23rd May—outdoor classroom day

24th May—garden party in the afternoon, details to follow

Reminder—you can access levelled reading books on the bug club website to read online with your child. Pop into the office for your child's password if it has been mislaid.

If you feel that you, or someone you know, has a job or hobby that would fit in with our new topic, we would love to invite you to work with the children so please get in touch!

The year 2 team

COVERAGE:

English

Revision of key punctuation and grammar

Writing poems.

Using persuasive language.

Different sentence types: exclamations, questions and commands.

Maths

Addition and subtraction using mental strategies.

Fractions of shapes and amounts.

Symmetry and shape

Music

Devon Youth Jazz Orchestra ambassadors workshop.

History

Events beyond living memory—starting to look at The Great Fire of London.

PE

Ball skills, skipping and team games.

Science

How plants grow from seeds and bulbs.

How plants adapt to survive in their habitats.

What humans need to stay healthy.

PSHE and RE

Why humans need exercise and a healthy diet.

How to stay safe in the sun.

Art and D&T

Modelling with clay and natural materials.