Ladysmith Federation

YEAR TWO CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF WATER—PART TWO

Autumn 2 2018

Dear Parents and carers,

We have had such a great first term learning about water. The children have really got stuck into their projects of building water mazes and making sushi. They loved the visit from South West Water and the Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue team came to teach us all about fire safety.

On our enrichment day we played games from other cultures, made Diva lamps and told stories from around the world.

Upcoming dates for year 2:

9th November—aquarium trip

16th November—Children in Need day

10th December—Seahorse class to sing at Age UK

7th December (am)—trip to the Festival of Nativities

20th December—carol concert

This year, instead of a Nativity performance, year 2 will be holding a carol concert as a whole year group. It will be held in forest school on Thursday 20th at 5.30 Children will need to return to school and parents and carers are invited to come along and watch. We recommend warm clothes and blankets. Refreshments will be available to buy for the performance. More 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.

Thank you!

Thank you to you all for continuing to help your children with their learning at home. We had a great turn out for parents' evening and we have had lots of offers for support, both in the classroom and for trips and special events. We really appreciate it!

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 talk to the children so please get in touch!

The year 2 team

COVERAGE:

English

Revision of key punctuation and grammar.

Story writing and non-fiction writing.

Year 2 common exception words and spellings.

Author study: Simon James

<u>Maths</u>

Addition and subtraction.

Multiplication and division.

2D and 3D shape.

Measurement.

Geography and History

Naming the oceans and continents of the world. Significant individuals: Sir Francis Drake, Mary Anning, Ellen MacArthur.

PE

Carnival of the animals dance: the swan, and athletics with MI Radford, PE specialist.

Music

Christmas carol songs.

Science

Measuring changes in the weather. Classifying things that are dead, living and have never been alive. Changes of state in material. Microhabitats.

PSHE and RE

Looking after ourselves and others.

Art and D&T

Mixed media art based on the work of Hokusai. Continue to build water maze and evaluate. Baking jeweled biscuits and gingerbread people.

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