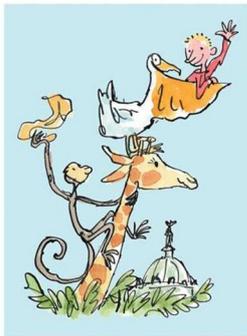


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Awesome Authors



Dear Parents/Carers,

What a great start to the Spring term Year 2 have had; so much learning has taken place! We were most certainly 'wowed' on our trip to Oakham Castle at the beginning of the term where the children took part in a range of interesting activities. We can't believe it will be Easter soon! Our next theme is 'Awesome Authors' where we are going to be getting to know the wonderful world of Roald Dahl. We have many more amazing opportunities lined up for the children.



Trips and Visitors for the year

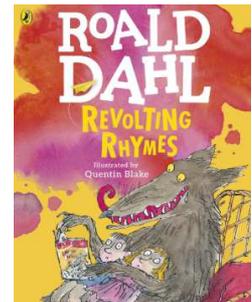
Spring 2 - Awesome Authors In this term, we will be having a visit from a storyteller.

Summer 1 - Summer Watch We will be out and about in the school grounds, looking at habitats and growing our own plants.

Summer 2 - Super Scientists We will be visiting the Think Tank Science Museum in Birmingham. The cost of the trip will be approximately £26.

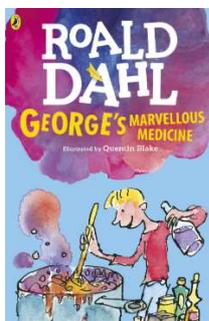
The Wonderful World of Dahl

Our theme for this term is absolutely Dahlicious! We are going to enter the fabulous world of Roald Dahl and explore his life as well as his huge variety of literary works. We shall explore poetry through his Revolting Rhymes, discovering what rhyming couplets, triplets and quintains are. We have invited a storyteller in to share some exciting tales with us and we plan on having a Roald Dahl dress up day towards the end of the term.



Science

In Science, we will be continuing to observe and describe how plants grow into mature plants, with a particular focus on bulbs. We will investigate how water, light and temperature play a vital part on the survival of plants. We will also observe how plants grow in our local environment.



English

In English, we will be focusing on the story The Giraffe, the Pelly and Me by Roald Dahl. We will enter the world of The Ladderless Window Cleaning Company - at last their big break has arrived! The richest man in England has given them a job that could make all their dreams come true... we can't wait to find out more! This rags to riches tale will help to inspire the children to write their own fictional stories. Later in the term, the children will be learning how to write a set of instructions. We will look at Dahl's popular story, George's Marvellous Medicine throughout our non-fiction unit of writing.

Reading

We will be listening to the children read at least once a week in school, as well as during Reading skills and Read, Write Inc. lessons.

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Please listen to your child read as often as possible and make a note of it in the reading record book. Remember the children can now access Oxford Reading Buddy, which is a wonderful tool to engage the children and to help them practise their comprehension skills. The children can also read an appropriate level paper copy and find the matching quiz online. The expectation is 3 times per week as a minimum. Those children who read and hand their reading record in will receive a raffle ticket and be entered into a monthly prize draw.

Maths

During this term, the children will continue to develop their understanding of division. They will become confident with dividing by 2, 5 and 10 and will also learn how to solve word problems relating to division. The children will move onto learning about statistics, which will involve creating and interpreting tally charts and pictograms. We will finish the term off by learning about length and height. The children will learn how to measure in centimetres and metres and begin comparing and ordering lengths.

Times tables

Please support your child(ren) with the learning of their times tables. Children in Year 2 need to learn and recall facts for the 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 times tables. They are tested every week and all children will know which times table they need to be learning. If you could keep practising with your child, we will all be times table superstars! Remember to use the Times Table Rock Star website to make learning the times tables really exciting.

Thank you for your support. Have a lovely break and make sure you recharge those batteries. We will see you after half term!

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Year 2 team