

Curriculum overview for Year 2 pupils – Term 3

Theme title: Where is the Outback?

Launch pad event: Visitor

<p>English <i>Please ensure guided reading books are brought to school daily.</i></p>	<p>The children will start the term by learning stories from another culture (Australia). They will be taught the features of a traditional story eg: that animals can talk, moral in the story, repeated rhymes. The children will write their own stories, focussing on punctuation, spelling and using adjectives in descriptions. The children will then be looking at a variety of different play scripts. They will have the opportunity to act them out and then write their own.</p>	
<p>Maths</p>	<p>The children will continue learn subtraction by using a number line or drawing their own. They will then use this to work out giving change. Then the children will use arrays to solve multiplication calculations and grouping for division. They will continue to learn their tables and use them to solve multiplication and division questions.</p>	
<p>Science</p>	<p>The children will learn about the basic stages in a life cycle for humans. They will describe what humans need to survive and understand why exercise, a balanced diet and good hygiene is important for humans.</p>	<p><u>Cross-curricular links</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grouping and sorting. • Ordering • Labelling
<p>Geography</p>	<p>The children will investigate the landscape of Australia and describe the features found on an island. They will consider clothes that would wear in hot and cold countries and the main things found in hot and cold places.</p>	<p><u>Cross-curricular links</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weather. • Geographic vocabulary.
<p>History</p>	<p>The children will learn about the explorer Captain Cook and how he discovered Australia. They will use a range of sources including books and the internet to research and answer questions about Captain Cook. The children will also learn about who Aboriginal people are.</p>	<p><u>Cross-curricular links</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New vocabulary. • Facts • Timeline making and chronological ordering.
<p>Computing</p>	<p>In computing the children will be learning how to open and select an email. They will be learning what an email address is and how to send an email. The children will learn how to find the @ key to put in an email address and how to find information on websites.</p>	
<p>Art</p>	<p>The children will investigate Aboriginal art. They will learn to mix paint to make all of the secondary colours and brown. They will learn how to use a viewfinder to focus on certain parts of an artefact or piece of artwork before making their own piece of Aboriginal art.</p>	
<p>Design & Tech</p>	<p>The children will learn about Australian instruments and investigate the materials used when making them. They will design their own instrument and choose the appropriate materials to make it. They will investigate how to make it stronger.</p>	
<p>PE</p>	<p><u>Outdoor games:</u> Learning skills how to pass and receive a ball using both hands and feet, and to introduce the concept of attack and defence in simple games. <u>Gym:</u> The children will continue to learn to bounce and jump with good technique. They will learn to travel on some apparatus. They will learn to create different body shapes and how to travel in different ways.</p>	
<p>Music</p>	<p>The children will learn how to use their voices to sing a traditional Australian nursery rhyme. They will learn techniques to remember lyrics and sing with expression. The children will use these skills to sing in a round and perform to others.</p>	
<p>RE</p>	<p>In RE the children will continue to learn about Islam and explore the beliefs that Muslims follow. They will learn stories of the Prophet Muhammad and understand what makes a place or object special to Muslims.</p>	
<p>P.S.H.E</p>	<p>In PSHE, the children will learn about how to be safe when they are around roads and how to cross a road safely. They will learn about different people that keep us safe and what those people do to keep us safe.</p>	

Ways in which you could support this term's curriculum at home:

Books you could read	Places you could visit together	Other activities
Diary of a Wombat – Jackie French	Wingham Wildlife Park	Eat Australian food
Blue Kangaroo – Emma Chichester	The zoo	Research Australian jobs
Why I Love Australia – Bronwyn Bancroft	Music shop – to explore instruments	Research Australian animals