



Nacton C of E Primary School

Half Termly Newsletter Year 2 – Autumn 2

Dear families,

Welcome back ! We hope you had a lovely half term break.

Below you will find an overview of our curriculum this half term and what we will be learning in each subject. If you have any questions, please do come and speak to your class teacher.

We would like to thank you for your continued support and engagement with your child's learning.

Team Nacton

English

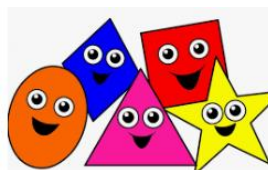
In our English lessons we will be reading and discussing the story of Lots: The Diversity of Life by Nicola Davies. The story will be a stimulus for describing settings, writing a diary and an acrostic poem.



Maths

Our maths work this term will continue to focus on adding and subtracting, then move on to shape. This will involve practical work and problem solving.

The children will work with numbers within 100.



Science

Our focus in science this half term is Living Things and Their Habitats. Children will learn how to identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including microhabitats; and describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals, using the idea of a simple food chain.

Geography

In Geography, the children will find out about the Local Area of Nacton village. They will carry out field work to discover some of the features and landmarks of the village. They will explore maps and aerial photos of the village and make their own simple maps.

Computing

In computing, the children will develop their understanding of digital writing. They will use a computer to create and change text. The children will begin typing on a keyboard and begin using tools to change the look of their writing, they will consider the differences between using a computer and writing on paper to create text.

DT

In DT the children will develop their understanding of mechanisms. They make different types of mechanisms, such as levers, wheels and sliders. They will design their own moving pictures and sketch a design based on their ideas. They will make and evaluate their moving picture.



Religious Education



In RE, we will be thinking about the

Jewish faith and the importance of doing good deeds.

Physical Education

PE this half term

includes

development of

fitness. The

children will carry out yoga to

develop their strength, flexibility

and inner calm.



PSHE

Children will learn about health and wellbeing. They will explore ways to keep healthy through diet, activity and hygiene. They will learn about setting themselves goals and building a growth mind set.

Music

In music, the children will work with Tempo using the theme of the Snail and the Mouse as an inspiration for their compositions.

Spelling

In spelling sessions, the children will begin their spelling lessons with the Bridge to Spelling Unit, which introduces the spelling patterns which will be taught throughout the rest of the year.

Times Tables

We will be working on 10x, 5x and 2x tables this term. This will include songs, games and counting activities. There will be a weekly test on a Wednesday.

Important dates:	Home learning expectations:
Friday 14th November – Children in Need Day- Dress Down Day (Non uniform) Local Area Walk- Geography Field work- date and details to follow. Friday 28th November- From 1.30pm Christmas Decoration Making- all parents welcome. Monday 8th December- Christmas panto (at school) Wed 10th December 3.15- 3.45pm Open Classrooms- view your child's work. Tuesday 9th at 1.45pm and Thursday 11th December 9.30am- KS1 and EYFS Nativity Performances Thursday 11th December- Christmas Jumper Day Wednesday 17th December Christmas Church Service at St Martins Church 10am- all families welcome. Wednesday 17th December - Christmas dinner at school. Christmas disco (after school)- Date TBC Friday 19th December- Reports out and End of Term	Reading – 4 times a week, please return books each Wednesday to be changed. Spellings/Phonics- Weekly home learning sheets available on our website to reinforce our daily lessons. Maths- TT Rockstars 10 minutes per week to learn times tables for a weekly test on a Thursday (tests starting in October). All children will start on 10x (red level) tables, moving on to 5x and 10x (yellow level) and the 2x, 5x and 10x (blue level). Log in details for Online reading and TT Rockstars can be found in your child's reading diary.