



Nacton C of E Primary School

Half Termly Newsletter

Year 1 and Year 2 – Spring 2

Dear families,

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 teachers.

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 The Great Kapok Tree by Lynne Cherry. The children will learn to use adjectives and different types of sentence. The story will be a stimulus for writing animal descriptions and a persuasive letter.

Maths

Children will study these areas over this term:

- Place Value to 50 (Y1)
- Multiplication and Division (Y2)
- Length and Height
- Statistics

Daily times tables practice, with 10x and 5x tables. Year 2 will have a tables test each Friday.

Science

Our focus in science this half term is Living Things and Their Habitats. The children will learn about different habitats found around the world. They will learn about food chains.



Geography

In geography we will be learning about maps and mapping. The children will create and use



simple maps and keys. They will learn

about the 7 continents and the 5 oceans.

Computing

In computing, the children will be learning about digital photography. They will consider what makes a good photo, take portrait and landscape photos with an iPad and find out how light effects can enhance their photos.

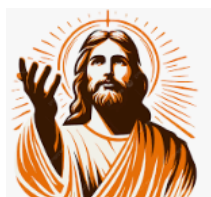
DT

In DT, the children will evaluate lunch box designs. They will design, make and improve their own lunch boxes designed to keep a pirate's lunch fresh and safe.



Religious Education

In RE, we will be thinking about Christianity and trust.



They will explore the question: Why do Christians

trust Jesus and follow him?

Physical Education

PE this half term includes Ball Skills and Sending and Receiving.



PSHE

The children will be learning about economic wellbeing, including learning about coins and notes and different ways to pay for things. They will find out how adults earn money and think about the difference between our wants and needs.



Music

In music, the children will experience and explore vocal and body sounds within the topic By the Sea.



Phonics

In phonics, we will continue to learn 4 new phase 5 graphemes a week. They will also learn 4 new tricky words each week, which are not phonetically decodable.

Y2 Spelling

In spelling sessions, year 2 children will continue spelling lessons with the Little Wandle spelling units, which focuses on the spelling patterns that have been introduced in Autumn Term. Each Friday, children will be tested on 5-6 words.

Important dates:	Home learning expectations:
Tuesday 4th March- Hares SEND parent consultations 1pm – 5pm Thursday 6th March- World Book Day Thursday 27th March – Tuesday 1st April- Book Fair in the hall after school. Friday 28th March- PE Enrichment Day Friday 4th April- 10am Easter Church Service Friday 4th April- Easter Egg hunt W/b 7th April – Easter Break	Reading – 4 times a week, please return books each Friday to be changed. A new e-book will be set each Friday as well. Spellings/Phonics- Weekly home learning sheets available on our website to reinforce our daily lessons. Spelling tests for Year 2- Each Friday the children in Year 2 will be tested on their spellings for the week. These will be sent home and are also on our website. Maths- Numbots- 5 minutes per week. Y2 may choose to move onto TTRockstars and learning times tables. Year 2 will have a times table test each week, starting with 10x, moving on to 5x, 2x and 3x as we work through the rest of the school year. Times Tables Tests for Year 2- Each week the children in Year 2 will be tested on the times tables we have been practising. At the moment we are learning 10x and 5x. Log in details for Online reading and TT Rockstars/ Numbots can be found in your child's reading diary.