



Nacton C of E Primary School

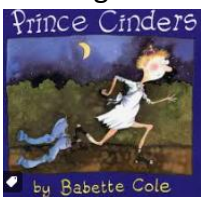
Half Termly Newsletter

Year 1 and Year 2 – Spring 1

Dear families,
Welcome back and A Happy New Year to you all! We hope you had an enjoyable Christmas 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 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 Prince Cinders by Babette Cole. The story will be a stimulus for writing character descriptions, acting out and re-telling events in our own stories.



Maths

Children will study these areas over this term:

- Place Value
- Addition and subtraction
- Multiplication and Division

We will begin daily times tables practice, starting with 10x tables. Year 2 will have a tables test each Friday.

Science

Our focus in science this half term is Plants. Children will name the parts of a plant and experiment with how light and dark affect plant growth.



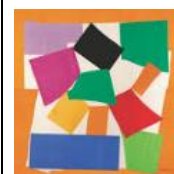
History

In history we will be learning about the reigns of 3 Queens: Queen Elizabeth I, Victoria and Elizabeth II. We will look at the chronology and important events of their reigns.



Computing

In computing, the children will be using a computer to create music. They will listen to a variety of pieces of music and consider how music can make them think and feel. Learners will compare creating music digitally and non-digitally.



Art

In Art, The children will be looking at the work of artists Andy Goldsworthy, Richard Long and Matisse as an inspiration for creating their own collages from natural and found materials.

Religious Education

In RE, we will be thinking about the Muslim faith and learning about how some Muslims show Allah is compassionate and merciful.

Physical Education

PE this half term includes Dance and Gymnastics.



PSHE

The children will be learning about citizenship, including discussing rules and why we need them, how we are different and how to care for others.

Music

In music, the children will experience and explore African call and response songs.



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:
Friday 7th Feb- PE Enrichment Day- wear PE kit Tuesday 11th Feb- Safer Internet Day Tuesday 11th and Thursday 13th Feb- Parents Evening consultations W/b 17th Feb- HALF TERM	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. Log in details for Online reading and TT Rockstars/ Numbots can be found in your child's reading diary.