

Titanic



Year 2: Summer Term 1



Class Shipley

Welcome back! I hope the children have had a relaxing and fun Easter break and are ready for their last term in Year 2!

This half term we will be learning all about the journey of the Titanic, which I'm sure the children will really enjoy. Alongside this we will be reading the book 'The Great Explorer' by Chris Judge.

The Year 2 team is also being joined by trainee teacher Mr Daji this term. He who has spent the last term Year 4 and will be moving to Year 2 to complete the next part of his training.

As always, if you have any queries or questions, please don't hesitate to contact us through class dojo or the school office.

Mrs Burke, Miss Beaumont and Mr Collier

Our distinctive Church school ethos

Children will take part in daily collective worship. We will spend time together as a school, in a class and as part of our 'Value Families.'

Every other Tuesday we visit St Paul's Church for a service led by Reverend Thierry Guillemin.

Throughout the day we will pause for reflection to consider our values through prayer.

Dates to remember:

8.4.24 and 9.4.24 Parents' Evening

12.4.24 Eid Themed Lunch

22.4.24 Whole Class Photo

29.4.24 Year 1 and Year 2 My Happy Mind: Parent morning

1.5.24 Yorkshire Water - Water Safety Talk

6.5.24 Bank Holiday

13.5.24 Year 6 SATs Week

17.5.24 Year 1 Phonics Morning

20.5.24 Hand to Mouth

21.5.24 Rainbow Day

21.5.24 Break up

Learning at home: Children will continue to bring home a reading book every Thursday. Please read as often as possible with your child, when they read 5 times in a week they will get a raffle ticket to go into the draw to win the 'Snuggle Up Reading Bag'. Spellings and optional homework will also continue to be sent home on Fridays.

P.E: Children will need to come into school in their P.E kit on **Mondays and Tuesdays**. Please ensure full school uniform and school shoes are worn the rest of the week.

Personal Development

PSHE: In PSHE we will be exploring economic wellbeing. We will be exploring the ways that people receive money and identifying basic wants and needs and how money plays its part in achieving these.

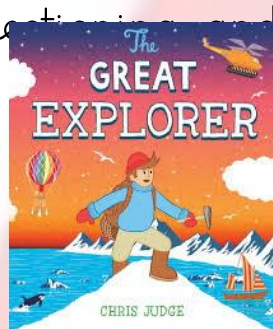
My Happy Mind: Our topic for this half term is 'Relate', which focuses on teaching children the importance of being able to relate or get along with others in order to have positive relationships. It uses the 'Character Strengths lens' to illustrate the need to be able to see other perspectives in order to build relationships. Through examples and discussion, the children learn about two key skills that will serve them well in relationship building, active listening and stop, understand, consider.



P.E: Our specialist PE coach will continue to teach our PE sessions in Year 2 focusing on athletics and volleyball. The children will develop their balance and coordination as well as their jumping, running and throwing skills.

Language and Communication

Speaking and listening: Speaking and listening will be encouraged through all areas of the curriculum, we will be discussing, questioning and reflecting in all lessons.



Reading: In English we will be sharing the lovely picture book, 'The Great Explorer' by Chris Judge which tells the story of one boy's great adventure to go and rescue his dad from the North Pole and his exciting journey to get there. The children will be exploring the picture and using the illustrations and the clues in the text to see if they can make predictions and guess what might happen next.

Writing: The children will be using our class text to write a description of the North Pole and instruction on how to be a great explorer. They will be storytellers and write a recount of the adventure.

Phonics and Spelling: This term we are moving on to spelling rules and will be focusing on why we drop the 'e' when adding the suffixes -ed, -ing, -er, -est and -y. In addition, we will look at why some words end in ge or dge.

Our World

Religious Education: In RE this half term, we will be exploring the question, 'What is the 'good news' that Christians believe Jesus brings? We will be looking at how Jesus' stories and teachings influence the way Christians may choose to live their lives.

History: In history, Class Shipley will be learning all about the exciting topic of the unsinkable ship the Titanic! We will use different sources like photographs, documents and firsthand account to find out all about the ship itself and what made it an important ship. We will also learn about the class system aboard the ship and think about what it would have been like to have been a first class passenger compared with a third class passenger. We will of course finish by learning about the disastrous events on the night of April 14th 1912.

STEM

Science: Our topic is living things and their habitats and we will be exploring different objects to establish what is living, what is dead and what has never been alive. We will be looking at different habitats and discussing what animals we think would live there. We are planning to go outside to look for habitats and explore how the habitats are designed for the animals and plants that live there, including how they help them to survive. We will also be learning about and creating simple food chains.



Maths: This half term we will be completing our work on money before moving on to fractions. As part of our work on fractions we will be finding halves, quarters and thirds of shapes, quantities and numbers. We do this by exploring how wholes can be split into parts and how we make sure those parts are equal.

Design Technology: In DT this half term, Class Shipley will be exploring structures with the end goal of creating a stable chair for baby bear. We will explore the stability of different materials and how shape can effect the strength of an object. Using this knowledge, we will design a chair for baby bear, evaluate its strength, stiffness and stability.

Computing: Computing is all about the internet, this half term, how we use the internet and how we can use it to search for information effectively.

The Arts

Music: Class Shipley are going to be learning all about music across the British Isles and different environments such as the city, country and seaside. We will be learning to sing different folk songs connected to these areas such as 'My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean', 'Lavenders Blue' and 'London Bridge'. We will also be listening to different pieces of music and using musical vocabulary to describe them. Finally, we will try to recreate sounds and tunes by using instruments and our bodies.