

Year 2

Terms 1 and 2 Curriculum Outline

ENGLISH	TERM 1	TERM 2
	The main focus for the first term of Year 2, children will be focusing on the skills they learnt in Year 1, most importantly what makes a sentence. Narrative – Meeting tales The children will use meeting tales such as The Way Back Home and Man on the Moon to understand the structure of meeting tale stories. They will focus on sentence construction and use of adjectives. We will have the opportunity to learn the story with actions and recount it. We will also adapt the story to write our own version concentrating particularly on sentence construction and use of adjectives. As part of our topic, we will write some descriptive passages about a moon and space scene. This term’s learning will culminate in children writing their own version of a meeting tale. We will also think about how to write instructions and create some of our own. Non-Fiction – instructions The children will be writing a set of instructions. Children will continue to develop their fluency using the RWInc Phonics Scheme and participate in Guided Reading sessions which will focus on understanding a text.	The children will construct more complex sentences, bringing in adverbs and a range of conjunctions. Narrative – A journey tale The children will be reading the books Meerkat Mail and The Snail and the Whale. They will be hot seating characters from the books and describing settings. Poetry – Clerihew Poetry Children will discover what a Clerihew poem is and have a go at composing their own. Children will continue to develop their fluency using the RWInc Phonics Scheme and participate in Guided Reading sessions which will focus on understanding a text.

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MATHS	Throughout both terms, children will concentrate on place value, addition, subtraction and shape. Place value The children will be concentrating on numbers up to 100. They will be partitioning them in a variety of ways and placing them on a number line. They will be counting in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s. Addition and subtraction The children will be including number families, comparing number sentences and missing number problems. Shape The children will explore the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. They will sort shapes, find lines of symmetry and make patterns with shapes.	
SCIENCE	Everyday materials In Term 1 and 2, the children will be studying the use of everyday materials. They will be able to identify and compare everyday materials for particular uses. They will also explore how materials can be changed through manipulation. Throughout the term, the children will study where materials come from and their properties.	
HISTORY	Up in the air The children will be studying the history of flight, from the Wright brothers to the first moon landing. They will place the most significant events about the history of flight on a timeline and will use critical thinking tasks to consider whether space travel is necessary and why. .	

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RE	Sacred places In Term 1, the children will explore the question “What makes some places sacred?”	Christmas In Term 2, the children will explore the question “Why does Christmas matter to Christians?”
PSHE	Being Me In My World This term the children will be identifying hopes and fears for the year ahead. And understanding the rights and responsibilities of class members.	Celebrating Differences Children will learn that it is good to be ourselves and that there are stereotypes about girls and boys. They will understand the difference between right and wrong and the role that choice has to play in this.
COMPUTING	We are astronauts The children will plan a sequence of instructions to move a sprite in ScratchJr.	
ART		Aboriginal Art The children will talk about materials and techniques used by other artists and understand that different forms of creative work are made by artists in all cultures and times.
PE	Wednesday and Friday are the PE days for Year 2.	
	In PE the children will be developing their ball skills.	The children will be focusing on gymnastic skills.
MUSIC	The children will be exploring rhythm and pulse.	The children will begin to learn to play the ocarina.
DT	Mechanisms The children will be investigating Mechanisms and making a moving monster.	