



Year 2 Learning Overview

Spring 1 2023

Our topic is: A world of Pure Imagination

In Year Two we are learning to be creative artists! We will be reading books by Roald Dahl and using the ideas and descriptions to inspire our own creative writing. We will also be inspired by the illustrator Quentin Blake and explore art techniques in sketching and then use watercolour paint to produce a portrait of ourselves.

Indoor P.E.

Our unit focus is on cognitive skills. We will develop movement skills in dynamic and static balance through activities and games.

Outdoor P.E.

We will rotate through a carousel of activities that develop our skills in hockey.

Music

Musical activities and exploration that work towards performing a song following the 'Charanga' school music scheme and enjoying our Ukulele music lessons.

By the end of our topic:

Your child will know:

Art

- More about the art technique and style of Quentin Blake
- About art and design techniques in using line and colour
- How they can use their drawings to share their own ideas, experiences and imagination

P.E.

- The skills needed to balance
- How to identify some of the things that they are good at
- How to explain what they are doing well and identify their own areas for improvement
- How to recognise similarities and differences in performance
- How to explain why someone is working or performing well

Your child will be able to:

- Sketch a picture of themselves in the style of Quentin Blake
- Use different sketching pencils to add detail to their drawings
- Experiment with water colours and observe how paint reacts to too much or too little water
- Use their inspiration from Roald Dahl stories to imagine what they might look like if they were a character in one of his books

- Develop their balancing skills and apply them to a range of activities
- Participate in games and develop simple acts for defending

We will be reading: The Magic Finger, George's Marvellous Medicine and passages from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and James and the Giant Peach.

Our memory maker event is: A bug disco based on the characters from James and the Giant Peach. The children will dress up as one of the bugs that enjoyed the great adventure aboard the giant peach and participate in a range of carousel activities in drama, creative writing, character hot seating and end with a bug disco!

A visit to a Chocolate Factory

