



Moorside Community Primary Academy - Theme Overview

Year: 2 Term: Autumn 2 Theme: Let's Explore!

Key Learning

1	Geography	Use maps, atlases and globes to identify the continents and oceans studies at this key stage.
2	Geography	Locate hot and cold areas in the world in relation to the Equator and North and South poles.
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4	Plants	Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants
5	Plants	Identify parts of a plant and their functions
6	Maths	Know that a fraction describes part of a set. Identify a $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{2}{4}$ $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{3}$
7	Maths	Multiply and divide a numbers, recalling multiplications facts from the 2s 10s and 5 x tables
8	Maths	Identify the times half past quarter past and quarter to.
9	Reading	Use inference to describe what a character is thinking or feeling using evidence from the text
10	Writing	Write a set of instructions on a familiar topic.
11	Writing	Write a recount of a story from a familiar setting.

Key People/Places/Facts

1	Geography	Use maps, atlases and globes to identify the 7 continents.
2	Geography	Use aerial photographs to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features.
3	Geography	Locate hot and cold areas in the world in relation to the equator and the North/South poles.
4	Geography	Identify the 7 continents and its oceans.
5	Jesus	Read and recall the Christmas story and what Christians believe is the true meaning of Christmas
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Big Questions

1	Why did God give Jesus the world?	
2	What is the true meaning of Christmas?	
3	Are all countries the same?	
4	Do all plants need sunlight to grow?	
5	Is it good to be different?	

Vocabulary

Maps	Atlases
Globes	Continents
Hot	Cold
Equator	North/South Pole
Structure	Conditions
inference	fraction
half	quarter
whole	numerator
Denominator	pollen
Living	dead
Habitat	Instructions

ENGLISH

Reading:

The children will explore both fiction and non-fiction books linking to their class topic e.g. explores, the world around us, The day the crayons quit and The Pirates Next Door. Year 2 will complete their phonics screening check this half term looking at blending and segmenting both real and alien words. The class will also create a display linking to the story 'The day the crayons quit' further developing their reading skills. Year 2 will read daily with the teachers in their class, carry out interventions preparing them for their end of year assessments, take part in class shared reading sessions and weekly guided reading activities.

Writing:

This term will focus on stories with familiar settings and focus on the Novels 'The Day the Crayons Quit, The Day the crayons came home and The Pirates Next Door. The children will write a range of recounts, postcard, letters, speech bubbles and questions linked to the familiar stories.

This half term the class will also focus on Instructions, reading, oral instructions and written instructions. They will write their own instructions based on a familiar event such as getting ready for school.

MATHS

Year 2 will be developing their knowledge and understanding of multiplication, division and sorting, Statistics, Fractions and Measurement, money and time. The class will understand that counting can be done in any order (commutative) and division can not. The class will recall and use multiplication and division facts for 2, 5 and 10 including odd and even numbers. Year 2 will be sorting numbers based on given criteria. Year 2 will also interpret and contrast simple charts and tables, asking and answering given questions. The class will understand and use the terms numerator and denominator and understand how to recognise, find, name and write fractions.

ENRICHMENT

- Nativity

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Design Technology- Structures (Pouches)

Kapow- Year 2 will be making pouches this half term, learning how to create a running stitch and use a template create their pouch. They will then sew their fabric together to create their pouch before decorating it to finish.

MUSIC

Year 2 will listen to pulse, pitch and copy back. The class will identify a steady pulse and add both high and low sounds and pitch, when their sing and play. The children will develop this through Charanga linking to the theme 'Ho Ho Ho'.

PE

WLSSP will take weekly PE lessons focusing on developing their skills in dance, gymnastics and yoga.

COMPUTING

Online Safety- Unit 2.2

Year 2 will use Purple Mash to develop their knowledge of online safety.

The children will follow a sequence of lessons linking to being safe online. Year 2 will be creating posters, sending emails and typing a fact file to record their new information.

SCIENCE- Living things and their habitats (plant focus)

Year 2 will be focussing on plants during their Science topic 'Living Things and their habitats'. The class will learn about best suited habitats and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of plants, and how they depend on each other. They will identify and name a variety of plants in their habitats, describing their conditions and what lives there. Year 2 will raise and answer questions about the life processes of all living things and raise and answer questions about the local environment to identify and study a variety of plants.

Scientific Vocabulary

- Living
- Dead
- Habitats
- Sun
- Grass
- Shelter
- Conditions

Jigsaw/PSHE/GBV's- Celebrating Differences

This half term the class will look at celebrating differences, they will discuss stereotypes between both girls and boys and how sometimes bullying is about difference. They will learn about what is right or wrong and how they can look after themselves before learning about ways to make friends.

RE- Why Did God give Jesus to the world?

Year 2 will be reflecting on the Christmas story and the message of saving and helping the world will be a focus for this half term. The children will be learning through role play, songs and stories using Discovery RE Scheme of work. The class will give reasons why they think that God gave Jesus to the world and why they think he was a gift from God.

