

## THURNHAM C.E. INFANT SCHOOL

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# Year 2 Curriculum Information Autumn Term 2 2019



## ENGLISH

- We will learn about significant historical events (The Gunpowder Plot and Remembrance Day), giving our opinion about these events.
- We will write simple poems about fireworks, using alliteration and similes and will write a letter home from the Trenches.
- Our fiction reading and writing will be based on the story of The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark by Jill Tomlinson. This will include drama and talk for writing. We will think about story language before retelling part of the story.
- We will retell the Christmas story from different viewpoints.
- In **punctuation and grammar** sessions, we will learn about adjectives, subordination within sentences (use of **when**, **if** and **because** to extend sentences), correct use of tense, different types of sentences (statement, command, question and exclamation), the use of commas to punctuate a list and apostrophes to show a contracted word (**they're**, **didn't**, **won't** etc)
- In **Spelling**, we will revisit many spelling rules learned in Year 1. We will introduce the tricky word endings **el**, **le** and **al**. We will learn how to add a suffix to words ending in a **-y**. We will also learn some more homophones.

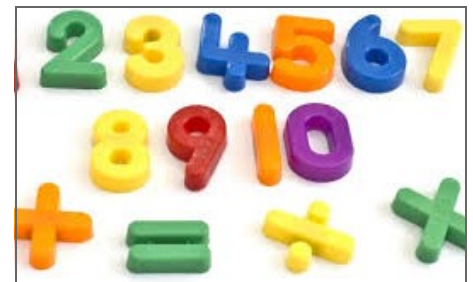
## SCIENCE



- We will learn about how to stay healthy by eating a balanced diet, and by keeping ourselves clean.
- We will investigate living things and find out how owls get their food.
- We will investigate how some materials change shape.

## ART

- Our focus will be **colour**.
- We will mix some colours in a Diwali activity.
- We will create an owl drawing using appropriate colour.
- We will create lots of Christmas artwork for display in school and Church.



## MATHS

- We will consolidate our learning about addition and subtraction.
- We will start to learn about using money—adding coins and finding change.
- We will start to learn simple multiplication and division, including solving one and two step word problems.
- We will learn to use equipment to help us and we will learn formal written methods to show our working out.



## PE

- We will learn to travel with a piece of equipment and to use these skills to play team games.
- We will learn simple yoga techniques.



## Music

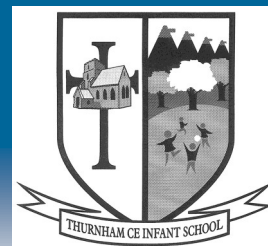
- We will all take part in a musical composition session based around The Snowman by Raymond Briggs.
- We will learn to play a tuned instrument—the recorder.
- We will use our voices expressively and creatively to sing songs to an audience.



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## History

- We will learn about significant events in the past, including Remembrance Day and the story of The Gunpowder Plot. We will give our opinions on these events.
- We will ask and answer questions to enable us to give our opinions.



## RE

- We will learn about the Hindu festival of Diwali.
- We will learn why Christmas and Advent are important to Christians.
- We will write prayers for Christmas.
- We will retell the Christmas story from different viewpoints.

## DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

- We will design, make and evaluate a clay model for Christmas.



## COMPUTING

- We will learn about how to stay safe when we are online, both at school and at home.
- We will use technology purposefully to create, save, change and print a Christmas card.

## PSHRE

We will learn about Growth Mindsets this term. This will make us better learners and will encourage us when we find things difficult.

- Playing Teacher
- Oh no! I've made a mistake !'
- 'Girls can't do that! Dream big!
- Super Effort
- Challenge Mountains
- Ding ding! How much effort?

