

# Spring Term 2017 Curriculum Overview – Year 2

## English

Year 2 will continue building on their writing skills using the comprehension booklets and will practise reading aloud through these and their class reader, *Doctor Dolittle*, by Hugh Lofting. We will continue discussing each comprehension text to a deeper level and speak about the context surrounding it. Students will develop their understanding of spelling patterns, recognising them in texts. We will also incorporate dictations as this is a good way to show spelling in context. We will look at various poems leading up to a poetry recital. Five minute “Grammar Challenges” will also continue each week.

## Science

This term will be dedicated to biology. We will explore the characteristics of living things and the basic needs of animals, including food and habitats. We will then focus on the human body and explore the importance of exercise, diet and hygiene.

## History of Art

This term we will continue to highlight individual artists and works of art with a special significance, in preparation for more in-depth study in Years 3 and 4.

## Mathematics

This term, the children will gain accuracy in reading and telling the time in English and French. In numeracy, they will keep practising their 2, 3, 4 and 5 times tables as well as working on the related division facts. They will keep practising addition and subtraction of three-digit-numbers and solving problems. Year 2 will tackle recognising, estimating and writing fractions of sets, shapes and numbers. In geometry, children will work on tracing straight lines and segments, grid patterns and will study 2D shapes.

## Humanities

The children will learn how to situate themselves on a map and a plan. They will also learn about the different types of landscapes: countryside, town, mountain, ocean and the differences between city and country side.

## Music

This term pupils will enjoy John Williams' film music and discover some famous ballets and dancers. They will also have an introduction to different political systems which will be linked to national anthems and World Music.

## History

## French

The children will work on the four linguistic skills in writing, speaking, listening and reading with the book *Les Loustics 2*. They will also study *Le requin du bocal* to learn new vocabulary and write complete sentences by themselves.

## Art

Children will gain crafting skills while working on the concept of transport as they will create their own imaginary travel vehicles. Students will discover basic 3D filming notions while working on an animation project about space travel.

## French

This term we will work on the voice: how to free it, to support it, to use different tones and pitches that illustrate our emotions. We will also work on volume, projection and diction. The aim is to put this work into practice in French playlets and novel adaptations into play scripts.

## Drama

## Music

Focus will be in establishing foundation of Sol-fa singing using Kodály exercises. Children will further develop notation reading and writing skills in treble clef. They will develop their inner hearing through singing, clapping and listening exercises. Children will practise to firstly hear music elements with the inner ear, then reproduce by singing or clapping.

## CNED

In grammar, the children will work on determiners, gender and will read more complex stories.

## Sport

Year 2 will be playing unihoc, learning and practising new skills and developing team work. They will also be concentrating on with the gymnastics working on body management, rolls and balance.

## Ballet

This term we will work on our RAD syllabus getting ready for an assessment at the end of the term. We will improve our technique and our memory recall. We will also focus on our performance and musicality. We will also prepare for our showcase at the end of term.