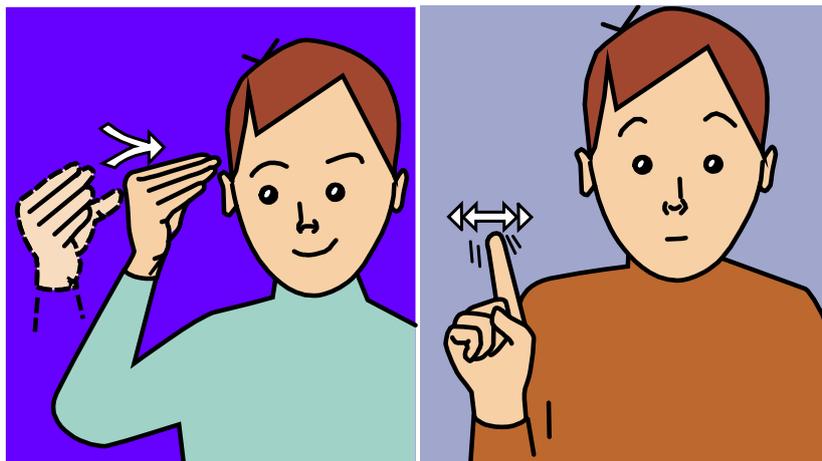


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## Foundation England



This term our topic is 'Under the sea' We will be learning about the concept of **adapting**, as we learn the names of sea creatures and think about how they are different from animals that live on the land. Do sea creatures walk? How do they move? Can some animals live on the land and in the sea? We will also be visiting the Sea Life Centre so we can spot the sea creatures we have been learning about and see how they move and experience first-hand being 'under the sea' in the sea tunnel.

In Literacy we will be sharing lots of the stories about the sea including Tiddler, Sharing a Shell and Waves. We will be adapting the story of Walking through the Jungle and making our own book Swimming through the Ocean.

In maths we will continue to develop the children's knowledge of number through songs, stories and practical activities focusing this half term on 1 more and 1 less. We will also be further developing their understanding of shape by learning about 3D shapes and searching for them around school.

P.E. will take place on a Monday morning and we will be focusing on gymnastics building our confidence with climbing and adapting the way we move depending on the apparatus we are using. Dance will be on Friday afternoons and we will be performing our 'Go Mango' dance at the school's dance festival.

We will be exploring collage this half term and learning about different ways of joining materials together. We will then adapt our ways of joining depending on the materials we are using.

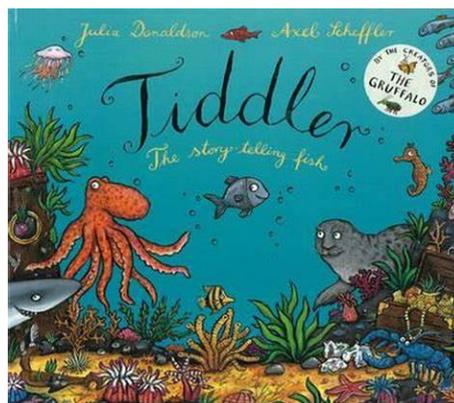
As part of our International Schools learning we will be making Easter cards and sending them to our friends at Bellfield school and our international School in Ohio America. We hope they will send us some cards back too so we can get to know other Deaf children across the world.

Library books will be changed every Thursday. Please remember to complete the yellow comments book to let us know if your child enjoyed the story and any language they used when you shared the book.

Foundation will also continue to develop our understanding of the rights of the child by focusing on the right of children to get information in lots of different ways (article 17) and the right to have an education (article 28) We will be learning about the sustainable goal 'life below water' as we learn about under the sea and ways we can help protect creatures that live there.

Thank you in advance for all your support and we look forward to working with you!

The Foundation Team



# What's On: Spring B 2022

## Year 1 Australia



Welcome back to Year 1 Australia Class. We hope you had a wonderful half term holiday. We start our learning this half term with our topic "Our Wonderful World" Our concept will be **diversity**. We will begin by learning about the names of the continents and oceans in geography. We learn about the different man-made and natural features and use this to be able to compare the continents.

In English we will be using 'Foundations for Literacy' to develop a variety of literacy skills. We will be using a variety of short stories to learn new vocabulary and think about how we segment and blend words. In maths we will continue to think about numbers by continuing to develop our counting skills by counting in 2's, 5's and 10's. We will use this learning to solve simple problems. We will also learn about measuring length, weight and capacity.

In science we will explore the changing of the seasons through the year, focussing on spring this half term. We will also learn about how diverse animals are by grouping and sorting animals into carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. We will think about which group they belong to and how we know.

In art we will be developing our understanding of texture in art. We will begin by exploring the diversity of different textures and how they are used in art. We will then use this to create our own animal collages. In music, we will be having sessions run by the music service. We will learn about long and short notes and how to lead our peers to play music and how to watch and follow. We will also be exploring the different ways we can play an instrument and how music can be used to represent things.

PE is every Tuesday; please ensure your child has the correct PE kit (t-shirt, shorts, joggers and pumps) and that it is named. This half term we will be focussing on yoga. We will learn about different yoga poses through a variety of simple stories. In dance, we will think about the different ways we can move our bodies. We will learn some basic steps such as turns, jumps and kicks and use these in a variety of routines. We will be using our dance skills to create different animal dances to like to our science topic ready to perform at the dance festival.

In RPHSE, we will be the importance of money, how we earn it, where to store it and what we need it for. We will think about the diverse range of jobs that are available, when we grow up. Our BLP focus will be questioning and we will think about how we can use questions to find out more information. As always, our curriculum will link to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. Our main focus will be article 17: the right to collect information. We will also be learning about the United Nations Sustainable Goals. We will be focusing on Goal 15, which is about life on land.

Home learning will be set on a Friday and needs to be returned to school the following Wednesday. Please also share the books the children bring home and record any reading in the yellow reading record.

Thank you for your support!

Miss Sheppard, Mrs Collins and Mrs Shuck



# What's On: Spring B 2022



## Year 2 Germany

Welcome back to Year 2 and to Germany Class, this half term we will begin with the topic "Our Wonderful World". Children will be discussing and learning about the ways we can appreciate our planet and its diversity.

In English, we will be continuing our reading and writing scheme, which will be looking at how to write sets of instructions and how to begin to write full sentences independently.

In Maths we will be exploring different shapes and their properties. We will then be looking at fractions of different quantities and how we can add common denominator fractions.

In Geography we will be exploring the different continents and oceans on our planet. We will also be comparing natural and man-made features found all around the earth (RR13).

In Art we will be focussing on textiles and collages. We will be learning about combining different materials to create interesting effects using techniques like sewing.

In Music we will be looking at different types of instruments and the various ways to play them. We will be seeing how we can change the volume whilst playing these instruments and using this to create our own musical pieces. We will be exploring how these different sounds can evoke different emotions and allow us to express ourselves through music and sound.

In Science, we will continue looking at different groups of animals, and their features. We will be looking at ways of sorting and grouping these animals. We will also be exploring the differences between carnivores, omnivores and herbivores and how they interact. We will be looking at where on our planet these animals can be found.

PE is now every Thursday; please ensure your child's P.E kit is named (t-shirt, shorts, joggers and pumps). This half term we will be focussing on yoga. We will be looking at different poses, positions and breathing techniques. In dance we will think about the different ways we can move our bodies. We will learn some basic steps such as turns, jumps and kicks.

Forest School will take place every Monday. Therefore, the children will need to come to school in appropriate outdoor clothes and footwear and change into school clothes afterwards.

We will be learning all about our rights in school and their importance to us. Our BLP focus will be resourcefulness, in particular how we can use questioning to find out more about our world.

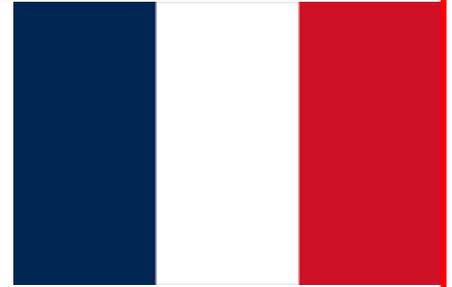
Home learning will be set on a Friday and needs to be returned to school the following Wednesday. Please also share your thoughts in the 'Home School' books the children bring home and record any reading in the yellow reading record.

Thank you for all of your support!

Mr Bevan, Mrs Lee,

# What's On: Spring B 2022

## Year 3 France



Welcome back!

We hope you had a good half term holiday! This half term we will be continuing with our topic 'What can we learn from the other side of the world?', and we will be linking all our learning about this by thinking about the concepts of *cause and effect*. We will be learning more about the geography of Australia and using atlases and maps to locate physical and human features of this country.

In English we will be sharing the story of 'Greta and the Giants' to learn about the sustainable goal 13 focusing on Climate Action for World Book Day. We will be sharing the aboriginal Dreamtime story of 'Why Koala Bears got a stumpy tail?'. We will be describing settings and characters and retelling these stories in our own words. Then we will create our own acrostic poem!

In maths, we will continue to develop our knowledge of measurement, how to measure in cm and m. We will be learning about shapes, 2D and 3D shapes and symmetry. We will also be developing our knowledge about fractions.

In Science, we will be learning about light, why we need it, how we can protect our eyes from it and how shadows are formed.

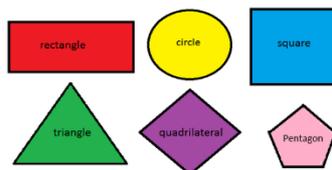
P.E. will take place on a Thursday and the focus for this half term is tennis. Dance will be on a Wednesday and we will be rehearsing our own Aboriginal dance ready for the Longwill Dance Festival! Forest School will take place every Monday afternoon. Please send your child in with a bag of outdoor clothes to change into and wellies if they have them. Thank you.

In art we will be learning about the life and work of Kandinsky and in DT we will be learning about textiles and creating our own garments (Sustainable goal 12 Responsible consumption). In RPSHE we will be learning about the values, rules and laws. Also, the rights and responsibilities.

Our focus for BLP this half term is questioning. How we think about things and use the information we have.

Year 3 will also continue to develop our understanding of the rights of the child by focusing on the right of children to have access to information from the media (Article 17) and the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities. (Article 31).

Thank you in advance for all your support. We look forward to working with you.





# What's on: Spring B

## Year 5 Brazil



We will continue our key concept of 'Continuity and Change' this term; seeing what changes and what stays the same in all of our subjects.

During our English lessons, we will be looking at a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts including: *Traction Man*, instructions, poetry and the African story of *Zahra*. Our Maths learning this term will focus on shape and fractions. We will also be developing our skills in answering mathematical word problems. In Science, we will be learning about the human life cycle, then investigating properties and changes to materials.

We will be learning about the distribution of natural resources (water, food, minerals and energy) in Geography and linking this with real-life issues. This will link with *World Water Day* and many of the Sustainable Development Goals. In Music, we will be learning about timbre; composing our own piece of music using body percussion. During our PE and dance lessons, we will be learning how to play basketball and continuing to create a slow-motion Viking scene dance. In DT week, we will be designing, making and evaluating healthy Anglo-Saxon food. Our Art gallery theme this term is 'texture' so we will be creating amazing artwork within this theme. This links with UNCRC Article 31: We all have the right to take part in cultural and artistic activities. During our ASL lessons this term, we will be learning how to sign clothing and simple related phrases.

Our RPSHE learning this term will focus on the physical and emotional changes that occur as we grow into adolescence, personal hygiene and healthy relationships. During our RE lessons, we will be focusing on the theme of *compassion*. We will be learning about how different religions teach about caring for others, animals and the environment. This links with UNCRC Article 29: We have the right to an education that encourages our respect for human rights, as well as respect for parents, our own and other cultures, and the environment. In Computing, we will continue our learning about algorithms and using programmes such as *Scratch*.

Our BLP focus this term is *questioning*. We will be discussing the importance of asking questions to deepen our understanding. We will be discussing Unicef's Rights of the Child Articles throughout the half term to find out how we can support each other and the community. PE takes place each Friday, so please ensure your child brings in their PE kit. We will also be doing the Daily Mile 3 times per week - please send in trainers if you would prefer your child to run in trainers rather than their school shoes. Forest school takes place each Monday, so please ensure warm, waterproof clothes are in school. You can support your child by reading with them regularly, helping them to practise their spellings and encouraging them to complete their Home Learning every week.

# What's on: Spring B 2021

## Year 5 Ireland



I hope you have all had a lovely half term break. Welcome back to Spring B, our BLP focus this half term is resourcefulness: questioning. Our work continues to be linked to the United Nations Conventions of the Right of the Child (UNCRC), meaning the children are continually reminded of their rights. Our concept this half term continues to be continuity and change, this includes looking at how our bodies change in Science and RPSHE as well as how food has changed in History and DT.

In English this term we will initially be thinking about Shrove Tuesday and investigating how and why people observe this day and Lent. Please do not forget that Thursday is World Book Day, it will be exciting to see all the costumes. As a class we will be looking at the book written about Captain Tom, his life and fundraising for the NHS. The rest of the term we are looking at poetry and non-fiction texts. Our focus for this will be Spring. This will include a beautiful spring poem that we are going to perform in the Eistedfodd competition.

The start of the half term we are looking at 2D/3D shapes. This then progresses into measuring length/height, mass/weight and volume/capacity. Which will support our learning in DT week where we will be making Anglo-Saxon foods.

In Science we will continue looking at life cycles and processes of animals and humans, which complements the initial RPSHE sessions where we will be discussing puberty and changes to our bodies.

In Geography we are looking at the distribution of natural resources, which links with sustainable goals 6 (clean water and sanitation), 11 (sustainable cities) and 12 (responsible consumption and production).

The focus in RE is compassion which will lead us into the Easter story, this complements the final week of term where we have lots of exciting activities lined up including our Easter bonnet parade and Easter egg rolling.

We will be practising the skills required for basketball in PE, including bouncing, shooting, passing and tackling. Please remember the children should have a PE kit in school to change into. In dance we will continue to practice the Anglo-Saxons and Viking fight performance ready for the dance competition.

We will continue to have Forest School on a Monday morning, so please ensure the children have clothes that are suitable for being outside in different weather and conditions.

Home learning will be set on a Friday and needs to be returned to school the following Wednesday, remind them, if the work is completed each week, they will receive a prize at the end of the half term. Please also share the books the children bring home and record any readings in the yellow reading record, the children enjoy reading in class, and this would be a wonderful thing for you to share at home also.

We will continue to add photographs to the school blog, showing the work we have completed and the fun we are having, so keep an eye out for these.

Please be aware Miss Hall will be on Teaching Placement for 4 weeks (from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March and returning on the 4<sup>th</sup> April) as part of her Qualified Teacher of the Deaf course. Miss Russell will be covering the class in her absence.

Thank you for your continued support!

Miss Hall, Miss Russell, Mrs Boyce and Miss Amir

# What's on: Spring B 2022

## Year 6 Belgium



I hope you all had a lovely half term, welcome back!

Our new term starts with a change of topic as we will be learning about Natural Resources in Geography. We will be finding out how resources such as food, water, electricity and minerals are created. This links with the Sustainable Goals which include 'no hunger', 'clean water and sanitation', 'renewable energy' and 'appropriate consumption'.

In maths, we will be returning to Number and we will be focussing on developing our knowledge of number bonds to support us in working mentally to find the answer. We will also be looking at statistics and using different graphs such as bar charts and line graphs which will link with our DT week and science where we will be discussing how to present our findings in different ways.

In science, we will be continuing to learn about reproduction and we will be studying the stages of life in humans. Then we will move on to look at materials and how they have different properties such as solubility, conduction, hardness and how they react to magnets. We will be doing lots of different experiments which is very exciting!

Our RPSHE will continue to focus upon how our body changes as we grow up and how to look after ourselves. Then we will move on to think about our mental wellbeing, and how we can keep ourselves safe when we are out, including the use of drugs and the law.

In RE we will be learning about how to be compassionate to others. We have several religious celebrations to learn about during this half term. We will be learning about Ramadan, Easter, Lent and Holi. It is important for us to learn about the religions of others so that we can always be respectful and share our own religion with others too. This links with the UNRC Article 13 where children 'have the right to say what they think in different ways' and UNRC Article 14 where children 'have the right to think, believe and have their own religion'.

Our art gallery competition for this half term is texture, so we will be learning how to embellish materials to create a patchwork quilt. We will be learning about the Sustainable Goals here too, as we create a quilt to represent the Sustainable Goals.

Our BLP is 'Questioning' and we will be discussing the Rights Respecting Articles, throughout the half term to find out how we can support each other and the community. Change and continuity is our Sustainable Goals focus, where we will be looking at similarities and differences across all our topics.

PE will take place weekly each Friday; this half term we will develop our basketball skills. We will also be doing the Daily Mile 3 times per week to support our physical and mental wellbeing - please send in trainers if you would prefer your child to run in trainers rather than their school shoes. Forest school will continue to take place each Monday, so please ensure warm, waterproof clothes and PE kits are in school each week. You can support your child by reading with them regularly and encouraging them to complete their Home Learning. Home Learning will be sent home every Friday, and should be returned to school by Wednesday.