

Perry Hall Primary School



A Place to Grow

Year 2



2018

Autumn

*Curriculum
Newsletter*

English

In English this term we are going to be looking at books written by the famous children's author, Julia Donaldson, including *The Scarecrows Wedding* and *Paper Dolls*. Through these books we will be producing writing in various genres such as character descriptions, diary entries, letters, an extra chapter and a book review.

Following this we will then look at different types of writing based on the book *The Day the Crayons Quit*, which will include newspaper reports, letters, diary entries, descriptive writing, reports and instructions.

Year 2 will also be looking to extend our writing through our History topic of Florence Nightingale.

Guided reading will take place four times a week and will be based on reading skills such as comprehension, retrieval and inference.

Ten spellings will be given out weekly, five following a taught spelling pattern and five from the Year 2 common exception word list.

We will be focusing on teaching and applying cursive handwriting.

Mathematics

We will look at number and place value including reading and writing numbers and comparing and ordering 2 and 3-digit numbers. Addition and subtraction facts up to 20 and solving problems using these operations, mentally and written, will also be covered. We will study the properties of 2d shapes including pentagons, hexagons, and octagons and look at symmetry. Position, direction and movement will be learnt as well as interpreting and constructing tally charts and block graphs from which we will ask questions about them.



We will be recapping the 2, 5, 10 times table's ensuring children know these well and introducing the 3s. Please support your child in learning these.

Science

Science is about Changing Materials including exploring the characteristics of them; natural and man-made materials; changing the shapes of materials; heating and cooling and undertaking scientific investigations. In the second half of the term, areas covered will include forces and magnets.

History:

Florence Nightingale is our topic for the first half of the term. We will learn about why she is such a significant person in British history and the comparison between nursing in the 19th century and now.

Geography:

In Geography, we will be learning about weather through the seasons, and location and characteristics of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Wolverhampton (a familiar location) will also be studied.

D&T /Art:

In Art, we will be making art using natural materials by looking at the work of Andy Goldsworthy.

In D.T. we will designing and creating puppets.

Computing :

In Computing, we will be using Pivot Animator to make our own digital figure move. We will use a storyboard to design a series of movements we want the figure to make before animating this on an ipad. E-safety will also form an important part of this subject.

RE:

RE is centred around Islam and the areas covered are what is a leader; a mosque and other religious places of worship in our community; sacred books and festivals and what matters to Muslims and ourselves.

P.E./Games

Football and Dance will be areas in our PE curriculum in the first half of the term, and netball and gymnastics in the second half.

PSHE:

During the whole term, PHSE will include New Beginnings, Feelings, Getting on and Falling Out and Bullying.

As part of our Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural curriculum we will continue to interweave our school motto and core values into everything we do. Motto:

**Perry Hall Primary, a place to grow in
confidence, creativity and ability.**

At Perry Hall we are...

**Respectful, Caring, Determined (never give up) , Enthusiastic, Independent,
Motivated**

Helping Your Child At Home

- Spellings will be given out on a Friday which will be tested on the following Friday. Spellings are given out in small books which should be brought to school every Friday.
- Your child will be reading during guided reading sessions. Please try to hear him/her read at home as often as possible and record any comments in your child's reading diary.
- Numeracy and Literacy homework will be given out by your child's set teacher on a Friday which can be returned during the following week with the deadline for returning being the following Wednesday.

Autumn Term 2018 Dates

- **Thursday 13th September**—Roald Dahl Day.
- **Monday 17th September 3.30pm**—Kingswood meeting.
An opportunity for you to hear about and ask questions about the children's residential visit to Kingswood in June.
- **Friday 28th September 8.45—9.30 am**—Perry Hall Macmillan Coffee morning for our parents
- **Wednesday 26th September from 3.30pm**—Parents Evening
- **Black History Month**—October
- **Tuesday 2nd October 2pm & 5pm** —Ksl Phonics workshop
- **Thursday 11th October 1.30pm**— Harvest activity afternoon.
- **Wednesday 17th October**—School photos
- **Wednesday 24th October 3.15-4.15pm**—Autumn school disco

Half term Break: Monday 29th October - Friday 2nd November

- **7th November 9.15am & 1.30pm** KSI Diwali assembly for parents
- **9th November** Wearing Red for Remembrance Day
- **12th November** Anti bullying week
- **16th November** Children in Need
- **6th December** Christmas Fayre

Christmas holidays: Monday 24th December- Friday 4th January 2019

INSET days Monday 5th November 2018
Monday 7th January 2019