

Year 2 Newsletter

Autumn 2
2025

Raleigh Infant and
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Welcome

Dear families,

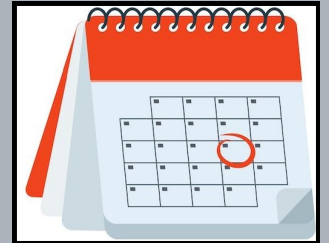


Welcome back to school! We hope you have had a spooky, spectacular half term break with lots of tasty treats! We have lots of fun activities and exciting festivities for everyone to look forward to in the lead up to Christmas.



From the Year 2 team.

Important Dates



- 5/12/25—Christmas Craft Afternoon
- 10/12/25—Y2 & Y3 Dress rehearsal
- 12/12/25—Dodgeball Day
- 15/12/25—Christmas Jumper Day (optional)
- 15/12/25—Y2 & Y3 Christmas Performance (9.00am)
- 17/12/25—Christmas Dinner
- 18/12/25—Cinema Trip
- 19/12/25—Christmas Party
- 19/12/25—Last day of term

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Art:

The children will develop a wide range of art and design techniques using colour, shape and texture.

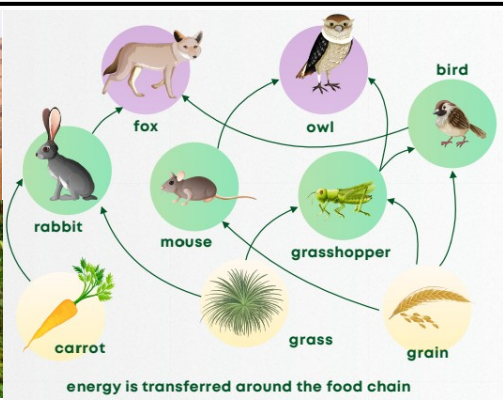
They will study the late work of Henri Matisse and use it as inspiration to recreate their own collages using organic shapes and complementary colours. The children will also explore how artists visually indicate how something feels by the shapes, marks, colours, light and shade used in the drawings of paintings.

History:

The children will be continuing their learning about the Romans. They will explore what life was like in Roman towns and find out what made them special. The children will also learn about Hadrian's Wall and how it marked the northern border of the Roman Empire. We will also think about the changes the Romans brought to Britain and how their influence can still be seen today.



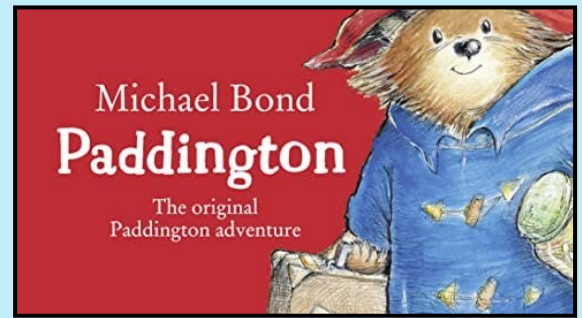
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Science

This half-term is all about living things and their environments. The children will explore a range of habitats, such as rainforests, deserts and underground habitats. They will look at how different habitats provide for basic needs of animals and how the living things within a habitat depend on each other. The children will also look closely at simple food chains discovering who eats what and how energy travels through nature. This is a great time to go outside and investigate our local surroundings.

English



In reading, our class text is Paddington by Michael Bond. By the end of the term children will know that summaries can take many forms: written, notes, tables and pictures and will be able to use a sketch to summarise a section of text. They will also know that emotions can be conveyed through facial expressions and be able to infer characters' feelings through gestures and facial expressions.

Home-learning

Spellings: Weekly, it is better to practise all week to embed in the long term memory.

Maths: Practice 2, 5 and 10 times table to develop automaticity.

Reading: Please note in your child's reading record. Include any book that you are reading with your children. Library sessions are on Monday's.

Weekly homework is set every **Thursday** and is due back into class on the following **Tuesday**.

Maths



Children will be exploring strategies, such as their known number facts within ten, that can be applied when adding and subtracting a single-digit number to/from a two-digit number. We will also be starting our multiplication unit where children will be learning strategies such as equal grouping to support their understanding.

PE:

- Day: Monday
- Please ensure your child wears their PE kit (white t-shirt, black jumper, black shorts or jogging bottoms).

PSHE:

In PSHE this term, we will be focusing on; assumptions and stereotypes about gender, understanding bullying, standing up for self and others, making new friends, gender diversity and celebrating difference and remaining friends.



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