

# St. Swithun's: Year 1/2 Curriculum Map – Spring 2 – Home and Away

## Major outcomes for the topic:

Persuasive letter in English.

Fairground Wheel

### English

As part of our English work this half term, we will be using the beautifully illustrated book Leaf by Sandra Dieckmann to inspire our writing and build our inference skills.

We will start the half term by exploring photographs, videos and illustrations of different settings and use adjectives and wow words to describe these. Year 1 children will be focussing on re-reading their work to make sure their sentences make sense as well as ensuring all their capital letters and full stops are used correctly. Year 2 children will be focussing on using conjunctions to link sentences together as well as choosing effective vocabulary to describe the setting and create an atmosphere.

We will then explore the features of letter writing and will apply these features when writing letters to persuade. Year 1 children will be using 'and' and 'because' to explain their reasons and Year 2 will be using a wide range of conjunctions as well as working on using different sentence starters to vary their writing.

### Art & Design

None this half term

### Computing

This half term we will be continuing to become computer scientists by giving directional instructions that can be used to instruct Lego robots.

### Exciting beginnings / events/ theme days/ trips / visitors

We will be visited by Father Anthony for an Ash Wednesday service in school.

### Mathematics

In maths this half term we are going to be continuing to practise counting to and from 1-100 in 1s, 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s as well as practising our number bond knowledge within 20. We will revisit multiplication and division and apply our number knowledge to solving problem reasoning questions. We will then start looking at fractions. We will find halves and quarters of shapes, objects and amounts. Year 2 will also learn about thirds. We will use different resources to recognise that 2 quarters are the same as one half. Please continue to support careful counting, number formation and rapid recall of number bond facts at home.

### Design & Technology

In DT we will be making a fairground wheel. We will learn about axles and evaluate different designs before making our structures. We will make sure the wheel rotates and be able to explain our choices.

### Geography

None this half term.

### Text, videos, music, pictures to ensure experiences of rich and varied literary heritage

We will be exploring lots of different photographs, videos, sounds and stories who help inspire our writing this half term.

### Science

We will be learning about animals including humans. We will learn about how baby animals change as they grow older. We will also be learning about what animals need in order to survive as well as the importance of exercise and hygiene.

### History

In History we will be looking at significant historical places in Portsmouth. We will focus on the Historic Dockyard, Southsea Castle and learn about the significance of the Navy and how it has changed.

### Modern Languages

We are learning animals in French, using the story 'Ours Brun' (Brown bear). We are also revising colours and making our own mini-books.

### Languages

### Music

The children will be learning to create basic rhythms which they will play in time. With these percussion instruments, the children will start to learn about texture (layers) and timbre (the sound the instrument makes).

### PSHE / British Values

In our relationships topic we will learn about the importance of getting enough sleep. We will also be learning about money and how we can look after it.

### Physical Education

In inside PE, we will be continuing our dance unit by learning different short routines in groups as well as creating our own expressive routines. In outside games, we will be continuing to develop our coordination and ball skills by travelling and passing with different equipment.

### Education

### Religious Education

We will begin our journey through Lent looking at forgiveness and preparation. We will share parables and begin to understand their messages.