



## Year 2

Dear/Annwyl Parents,

We would like to inform you of the work and activities planned for your children this term.

Our topic this term is **Stories Old and New!** Within this theme the children in year 2 have decided that they would like to design and make puppets, perform shows wearing costumes, make potions, build towers, castles and buildings, make books of favourite stories, write their own stories, use iPads to record videos and stories and use stop/motion animation, cook, design and create own story characters.

Within this topic we will be investigating, researching, problem solving and completing art and creative tasks.

We will be developing our knowledge, skills and experiences within Wales' curriculum Areas of Learning and Experiences, which are: **Expressive Arts; Health and Well-being; Humanities; Languages, Literacy and Communication; Mathematics and Numeracy; Science and Technology.**

In line with the curriculum, 'pupil voice' is a vital component. Therefore, activities planned have come from your children's ideas.

### Routines:

- **Reading Books** – please send in as often as they need to be changed.
- **PE kits** - PE will be every **Thursday**, children will be required to wear their PE kit to school.
- **Seesaw** – We will continue to communicate important information, updates and home learning tasks via Seesaw.

### **Outdoor Learning: Our outdoor learning session will be on a Wednesday each week.**

Some of the activities that the children will complete are: den building, nature art, gardening and planting and outdoor cooking.

The children will need to wear suitable outdoor clothing and a waterproof coat to school every Wednesday for our outdoor learning sessions.

Children may also bring wellies to be kept in school.

**RE** – topics for this term are **People of Prayer & Lent to Easter**. Further information and suggestions for home activities can be found on the Religious Education newsletter provided on Seesaw.

Topics will be explored through bible stories, prayer, class worship, church visits, liturgies, song and role-play.

### **Maths We will be:**

- Rounding 2-digit numbers within 100 to nearest 10
- Counting forwards and backwards in 2s and recognise odd and even numbers to 100
- Counting forwards and backwards in 5s
- Recording what each digit represents in a 3-digit number e.g. 265 (200+60+5)
- Subtracting 10 from a number within 100.
- Recalling multiplication facts for 2, 5 and 10 times tables.
- Adding two 2-digit numbers e.g. 34 + 23
- Finding the difference between 2 numbers by counting on e.g. the difference between 25 - 33
- Money – adding amounts up to £1, give change e.g. Ball costs 39p, I pay using 50p coin. How much change will I have?
- Weight – estimating and measuring using Kilograms, read scales.
- Time – reading and writing O'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to times, including 12-hour digital times.
- Shapes – Naming and sorting common 3D/2D shapes.

**Literacy:**

Please continue to read at home with your child. Reading at home is essential to support children developing their reading skills. In class, we are focusing on using questioning to show understanding of what has been read. Please ask your child a variety of questions to develop this further. Asking questions about the characters and what happened in the story will be very beneficial. Thank you.

**Letters and Sounds**

Read and spell words containing same sounds / different spellings,  
ay/ai, ou/ow, ie/igh, ea/ee, oy/oi, ir/er/ur, aw/or, wh/w, ph/f, ew/oo, oe/oa, au/or, a\_e/ee, e\_e/ee, i\_e/igh, o\_e/oa.

Sounds sheets and videos are uploaded to Seesaw

Tricky words **they, said, come, want, there, said, when, what, out, have, some, again, because, who, where, use.**

**Writing:** continue to focus on using capital letters and full stops and forming letters correctly. A letter formation sheet will be sent home.

**Online Communication:**

- Class Seesaw
- School Website – [www.stdavidsprimarycwmbran.com](http://www.stdavidsprimarycwmbran.com)
- Twitter - @StDavidsrc2017 #sdpsy2

We hope you will find this information useful.

Thank you in anticipation of your continued co-operation and support.  
If you have any queries/questions please do not hesitate to contact us via Seesaw.

Year 2 team - Mrs M Gunter & Miss Evans.  
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