Curriculum overview for Year Two – Autumn (2) 2026

**Literacy**

In literacy lessons we will use a range of texts that are different takes on traditional tales. We will revisit the originals and eventually write our own versions and sequels. We will continue working on the year two grammar and punctuation including expanded noun phrases, use of commas, questions marks and exclamation marks.

**Key Experiences:**

**Library Trip**
Date TBC
**Performing our Nativity**
08.12.26

**Guiding Question:**

How do stories change over time?

**Maths**

We will build on what we've already learnt and move onto adding and subtracting two two-digit numbers with and without exchange. This is a key part of the year two maths curriculum. We will start by using concrete objects (tens and ones) before moving onto the use of pictures (sticks and dots). We won't use formal column addition yet. We will also look at 2D and 3D shapes and their properties.

# Stories Over Time

**Other information:** Please bring books bags (and books and yellow reading diaries) in on **Mondays** for changing books. Spelling homework will be set on Seesaw every Friday with a quiz in school the following Friday.

**History** In our history lessons we will be learning about the Gunpowder Plot. We will be finding out when the events were and compare life then to life now, as well as other historical periods we've already learnt about. We will learn about Guy Fawkes, his involvement in the plot, his life and his significance in history.

**R.E** In Religious Education we will be thinking about Hinduism and the story of Rama and Sita. We will also be looking at the importance of the life and teachings of Jesus for Christians through our Nativity performance.

**DT** The aspect of Design and Technology this half term is food. The focus will be on preparing fruits and vegetables. We will design, make and evaluate a product for a celebration. There will also be a range of extra activities that cover other skills as part of our provision, such as sewing.

**PSHE** This half term, our PSHE learning will focus on understanding how everyday choices support our health and wellbeing. We will explore how exercise, sleep, healthy eating and good hygiene help keep our bodies healthy and happy. Children will learn about making healthy food and drink choices, the importance of a good night's sleep and how to care for their teeth.

**Music** The focus in music is using our voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes. This will be through our Nativity performance, which we will be performing to the school as well as to parents and carers.