

**Year 2 Learning Leaflet**

**Spring 2019**

**Where We Live!**

Love Learning, Love Life

Always Aiming High

Welcome

Welcome back after the Christmas break. We hope you have had a fantastic time and we are looking forward to an exciting term ahead with you.

Your teacher is Miss. Roberts and we are very lucky to be working with Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Weekes too.

PE

Our P.E. days are Wednesday and Friday. Children will need a named kit in school at all times. We send kit home each half term to get washed. If your child is unable to take part in PE for medical reasons please let us know so we can plan an alternative PE activity for them.

Homework, Spellings and Reading

Homework will be sent home on Fridays. Each week we will send home a Learning Log task and a piece of Numeracy. Homework is due back by Wednesday.

Spelling lists will be sent home every Friday, please practise these spellings with your child over the weekend.

Please read with your child as often as possible, every day if you can. Please write a comment in the yellow diary eg. Did they enjoy it? How well are they blending? Could they retell the story? Could they discuss the character’s behaviour? If you don’t have time to write a comment at any stage, please just sign to say you have read with them. Comprehension is a fundamental aspect of reading so please ask as many ‘How do you know?’ and ‘Why do you think? questions.

The more practice your child gets, the quicker your child will become fluent. We will change your child’s reading book twice a week and we will read with them at least once a week. Please keep the reading book and yellow reading diary in their book bag and send it in every day. We want to encourage reading for pleasure and to promote a love of reading, whether that’s a book written by their favourite author, a comic, a sport’s magazine or non-fiction book about their favourite hobby or animal. Let’s make reading fun and relevant!

Enrichment

This term we will visit Chester Zoo.

**Where We Live.**

Where We Live! Is a topic based on Human and physical features of Elton School and Village. The children will use field work, observational skills and map work to learn about the local area.

In **Geography** we will be learning about our local area. The children will learn to recognise the human & physical features of Elton. We will use simple fieldwork & observational skills to study the surrounding environment. We will understand basic geographical human and physical features.

In Computing we will be working on editing images in Pic Collage and I Movies. The children will find out how to plan, make, edit and evaluate a short movie. We will also collect data and present it using various packages (bar graphs, pictograms).

In P.E. we will be doing dance around the text ‘Funny Bones’. We will be learning how to repeat simple skills, actions with increasing control and co-ordination and performing our own sequences. In gymnastics children will perform and link a combination of actions, shapes and balances.



In Maths we will continue to learn about money, find totals and give change. We will also be looking at 2D and 3D shapes, their properties and uses day to day. The children will also look at fractions including fractions of shapes and of numbers. We will be relating this to what we have learnt about multiplication and division.



In **English** we will study a number of texts including:

The Beasties - A lovingly crafted picture book about the power of imagination and the comfort of storytelling.

Tiddler and Superworm by Julia Donaldson - A charmingly illustrated story about a plain grey fish who 'blew small bubbles' but 'told tall tales’. Donaldson's gently paced cautionary tale is populated by Scheffler's comical undersea creatures and the effect is always amusing. In Superworm, the combination of memorable rhyming text and the fantastic marriage between the story and Axel Scheffer's detailed, colourful and humorous images make for an instant classic.

Gorilla - This book has become a classic picture book to be enjoyed on many levels. It is sad, joyous and full of surprises for the sharp-eyed. The children will be writing their own diary entries, persuasive letters, Non-chronological reports, information texts and using the senses poetry.





In **Art** we will learn how to sketch the locality. We will study Lowry and create pictures of Elton in the style of Lowry.

In DT we will be making some relief models of the landscape around Elton.

In Science our topic is animals including humans. We will Identify and name a variety of common animals such as birds, fish, amphibians, reptiles and mammals. Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. We will describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (birds, fish, amphibians, reptiles and mammals, and including pets). We will identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part is associated with each sense.

In R.E we will be learning about stories of love and forgiveness. Children will learn how a disagreement can be resolved and think about the consequences of different action. We will learn about Jesus' disciples and how they showed love to Jesus.