

Year Groups: 2/3

Term 2 2023-24

Redland School

As readers...

We will continue to read the text *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* by J K Rowling as a class. We will also be reading *The Lion and the Unicorn* by Shirley Hughes as well as looking at examples of diaries and fact files relating to our topic.

Reading lessons will focus on a range of different reading skills, including: decoding, skimming and scanning as well as other comprehension skills.

As writers...

We will be learning how to use past, present and present perfect tenses. We will recap the use of conjunctions for subordination and coordination. We will be using our class text *The Lion and the Unicorn* to write diary entries in character as an evacuee. We will also be writing non-fiction fact files about our topic.

As linguists...

We will be looking at spotting differences between French and English songs; develop our understanding of pronunciation and grammar rules and learning the parts of our face and body

As mathematicians...

We will continue to develop our understanding of using different strategies for addition and subtraction. We will use practical apparatus such as base 10 to support our learning as well as developing mental and written strategies. We will then move on to learning about 3D shapes, turns and angles. Finally, we will begin to look at measuring length and perimeter.

World War Two

This term we will be going back in time to WWII to better understand what life was like during the war. We will start by learning about the outbreak of the war and who the allied and axis countries were. We will find out what the Blitz was and which areas were the most affected. We will explore the different ways people stayed safe, as well as how children would have felt when they were evacuated during the war.



As members of our community (PSHE)...

we will be looking at 'Celebrating Difference'.

As active individuals (PE)...

We will be doing gymnastics and handball.

Please note -

Nightingales - PE kits need to be worn to school on Mondays and Fridays.

Puffins - PE kits need to be worn to school on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Classes: **Puffins and Nightingales**

Please see our website pages:



Puffins



Nightingales

What's on...

w/c 11.12.23 Christmas lunch week

20.12.23 Last Day of Term

Please check Class Dojo regularly for updates and key messages.

Homework...

Children in Puffins and Nightingales will be given weekly spellings and KIRFs (mental maths) targets to practise. If your child doesn't fully understand what they need to do, please ensure they speak to their teacher before the weekend 😊

As scientists...

In this science topic about 'Movement' and 'Nutrition and Diet' we will be expanding on last term's learning about skeletons to understand how our skeletons move and how animals, including humans, need the right type and amount of nutrition.

As computing experts...

We will be learning about how to stay safe online. We will also be utilising apps and websites to support other areas of the curriculum.