



June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you had a lovely half term break and that the children are ready for an exciting final half term in Year 2.

Curriculum

English

We will continue using the book ***Halibut Jackson*** by David Lucas to inspire our writing. We will review our learning on tenses, including the simple past and progressive past, using 'was' or 'were' correctly. We will then plan and write a newspaper report using the past progressive tense. We will also be reading a picture book called ***Wild*** by Emily Hughes. We will be making predictions and inferences based on the text and pictures. We will think about how characters are feeling at different parts of the story. We will distinguish main clauses from phrases, use prepositional phrases and adverbs in different parts of our sentences, which will culminate in us writing a longer piece of writing comparing the two different settings in the story.

Maths

We will finish our learning on **shape**, and **position and direction**. We will then learn about **measures**. We will learn about **length and height**, including measuring in centimetres, metres and comparing and ordering lengths. We will learn about **mass**, learning to read and understand different types of weighing scales. We will learn all about **capacity** and will compare and order the capacity of different containers. We will also learn about **temperature** and how to read thermometers.

Science

In **Science**, we are continuing with our **Animals including Humans** topic. We will look at animal and human life cycles, and what all animals need to survive and stay healthy.

History

Our topic this half term is **the Victorians**. The children will be learning about what life was like in the Victorian era. We will be looking at the reign of Queen Victoria and some of the changes and inventions that occurred during her reign. We will find out what life was like for children during Victorian times and make comparisons to our lives now. We will also discuss the growth of the British empire under Queen Victoria, and the impact this had around the world.

Religion and Worldviews

We will continue learning about why Jesus is important in the **Christian** faith.

PHSE

Our PHSE lessons will focus on **safety** and **personal boundaries**, as well as the **transition to year 3**.

Music

In music, we will be listening, appraising and singing songs with a Victorian theme. We will be learning about **call and response** songs, **ostinatos**, **pulse**, **rhythm** and **pitch**.

D&T

For our food unit, we will be designing and making our own fruit salads.

PE

In PE we will be doing a Victorian-inspired dance unit, as well as lots of athletics in preparation for sports day.

Transition to Year 3

This half term we will be doing lots of transition activities in preparation for Year 3. The children will be discussing what they are looking forward to and what they are nervous about. We will be helping the children to acclimatise to Coleridge West by 'buddying up' with current Year 5 children who will be able to answer the children's questions. The children will be given a tour of the west side grounds and shown their new classroom. Each child will also create a 'Year 3 transition book' with photos of their new teacher, classroom and playgrounds. They will get to keep this book for the summer and can read it before returning to school in September.

Dates for your diaries:

- **Year 2 Classroom Visit-** Monday 29th June- 8.45-9.05
- **Victorian Morning-** Tuesday 30th June- We will immerse ourselves in our Victorian topic, and encourage the children to dress up as Victorian school children!
- **Year 2 Picnics-** Monday 6th July (2B and 2O) and Thursday 9th July (2P and 2R)

- **Summer Fair** - Saturday 20th June
- **Sports Day** - Wednesday 1st July
- **Parents evening (in-person)** - Wednesday 8th July
- **Last day of term & Toy Day** - Friday 17th July

If you have any questions or queries then please make an appointment to speak to your child's class teacher.

We would like to thank you for all your amazing support this year.

Yours sincerely,
The Year 2 Team