

2TH Curriculum Newsletter

Summer 2 2026

Class topic: Florence Nightingale



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History

In History, we will find out about Florence Nightingale's links to Derbyshire, and why she inspired so many people.

We will compare hospital conditions between now and then.

Handwriting

This half term, the children will continue to develop our cursive handwriting style.

We will practice our individual letter formation and how to use the lead in strokes when we are able.

We will continue to work on our number formation.

PSHE

Our PSHE unit this half-term is Relationships and Sex education. The objectives we will cover are:

- I can recognise cycles of life in nature
 - I can tell you about the natural process of growing from young to old and understand that this is not in my control
 - I can recognise how my body has changed since I was a baby and where I am on the continuum from young to old
 - I can recognise the physical difference between boys and girls and the correct names for parts of the body and appreciate that some parts of my body are private
 - I can tell you what I like/don't like about being a girl or a boy
 - I can understand there are different types of touch and tell you which ones I like and don't like
- I can say what I like and don't like and be confident to say so

Please let us know if you have any questions regarding our PSHE lessons.

Home Learning

Please listen to your child read 5 times a week at home, making sure Reading Records are completed and returned to school daily. Reading books will be changed once your child has read 2/3 times. Spellings for the half term are stuck in Spelling books to be tested on a Monday morning.

Dear parents and carers,

We hope this leaflet is useful in showing you what your children will be learning in school, and the activities you could do at home to support their learning. Our class topic this half term is 'Florence Nightingale', so most learning will relate to this.

Please ask if you have any questions 😊

<u>English</u>	<u>Maths</u>
<p>This half term we will be focusing on texts linked to our 'Florence Nightingale' topic,</p> <p>We will be writing our own diary entry from Florence Nightingale's point of view as well as writing a biography about her.</p> <p>We will continue to develop our grammar and punctuation skills, including sentence structure, conjunctions and word classes.</p>	<p>In Maths, we will learn about Statistics. We will be able to understand tally charts as well as interpret and draw pictograms.</p> <p>We will also be learning about Position and Direction. In this unit, we will be able to use language of position, describe movements & turns and continue & create shape patterns including turns.</p>

<u>PE</u>	<u>Science</u>
<p>Our focus this half term will be Fundamentals! We will work as a team, following instructions, in preparation for Sports Day.</p> <p>Please make sure that your child always has a full, named PE kit in school, including clothing suitable for the outdoors.</p>	<p>In Science, our topic is 'Plants'. We will explore different types of plants and trees and will be able to name some parts, including roots and stem. We will also investigate what plants need to grow and will be planting our own seeds!</p>
<u>Computing</u>	<u>RE</u>
<p>In Computing, we will be exploring coding! We will give simple instructions to create a simple program.</p>	<p>In our RE lessons, we will be discussing the question 'How and why do we celebrate special and sacred times?'</p>
<u>Mystery Readers</u>	
<p>Thank you so much to those who have volunteered to be Mystery Readers to Year 2. Please get in touch if you would like to take part 😊</p>	

Thank you for your kind contributions of £5 Topic money each half term.

It is a **huge** help and enables fun experiences for the children 😊