



Year 2 Newsletter

Spring 2

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely week away from school and are ready to start your new learning. We have lots of exciting things coming up this half term, including a local trip—Skills Escalator Experience. Here the children will experience a range of workshops from local organisations such as Baxters Healthcare, the Fire Service and the Police. Also this half term is World Book Day and our Easter Crafternoon. We will open our doors once again for this to invite you in to participate in some Easter themed crafts. Towards the end of half term, we will have our Spring Sing (whole school 26th March) . Raffle tickets are currently on sale for the spring hampers and you can bring donations in on 27th February.

Dates for your diary

**Non—School Uniform Day for Hamper Donations—
27th February**

**World Book Day—6th
March**

**Parent's Evening— 16th
and 17th March**

**Easter Crafternoon—19th
March**

**Year 2 Escalator Skills Trip
—24th March**

Spring Sing—26th March

Sharing a worry

Everyone, everyday has a mixture of feelings and thoughts. We **empower** the children by encouraging them to talk to an adult at school. Our younger children and older ones can always talk to an adult during play and break times. We also teach the children to either show their feeling on the feeling chart (Nursery / Reception) or to write their name on a blue post it note (Year 1-6). An adult will then speak to them about a worry or a concern.

If as parents you would like to speak to a member of our pastoral team about a worry or concern, please contact the academy office.

To **empower** ourselves when learning we need good listening we follow SLANT.

Good listening means SLANT

- S**it up
- L**ean in and listen
- A**sk and answer questions
- N**od your head
- T**rack the speaker



Our Value this half term is 'Empower'

Empower - A Norwich Road Academy Super Learner empowers others with their learning and empowers themselves to take on new challenges with their learning. They take risks and are not afraid to get things wrong. They grow in confidence and enthusiasm.

This half term we will be focusing on hard work and trying our best. We will try and help ourselves when completing tasks by using a range of resources. Super Learners will be aware of their next learning steps and use feedback to improve their work.



Curriculum Focus

English

In English, we are learning about information texts, using the book Pattan's Pumpkin to help us. We will be looking at how an information text is different to a story, identifying key features and writing our own texts based on an imaginary fruit or vegetable.



Maths

We will be learning about length and height, measuring in centimetres, metres and comparing lengths. We then move onto volume, mass and temperature. We will compare volume and capacity as well as using balance scales to measure mass.

Science

We will be learning about different materials, what properties they have, how inventors choose their materials and how we can make changes to some materials.



Phonics

Some children will continue to review their phonics knowledge while others will be focussing on tricky spellings and learning spelling patterns.



DT

We have the exciting project of making a pencil case for ourself or a friend! Children will be researching, designing a making the pencil cases themselves using sewing skills.



Life Skills

This half term we will be learning about health and safety, before moving on to citizenship. We will be learning about rules outside school, caring for the school and local environment, and learning about the roles people have outside of school.

RE

This half term, we are finding out about the Jewish festival of Passover (Pesach). We will be learning the story of Exodus and how Jews celebrate Passover with the Seder Plate.



Key Skills

In our key skills lessons we will take a closer look at different sentence types that we use in writing, followed by conjunctions, contractions, pronouns and commas.



History

We will be learning about the Tudors. We start by looking at what life was like in Tudor times before moving onto work about Henry VIII. To deepen our learning we then look at Henry VIII's children Edward VI and Mary I and take a look at the last Tudor Monarch, Elizabeth I.

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