

We will continue our reading text 'James and the Giant Peach' by Roald Dahl. During these lessons the children will expand their vocabulary whilst developing their retrieval, inference, prediction and explanation skills. Our writing stimuli will consist of 'The Dragon Machine' by Helen Ward, 'The Bear and the Piano' by David Litchfield and 'How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth' by Michelle Robinson. The children will be using a variety of writing styles when writing to entertain and inform.



This half term we will be working on the biology element of science where our units are 'Plants: light and dark and living things and their habitat.' We will be working scientifically by observing closely, using simple equipment, performing simple tests and asking simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways.

# Ellington Primary School YEAR 2 CURRICULUM MAP



Children begin every maths lesson with their 20-minute CLIC session (Counting, Learn Its, It's Nothing New and Calculation). During the main part of the children's maths lesson they will be revisiting fractions and will be introduced to finding fractions of an amount by sharing and counting and rewording number divisions as fractions. The children will also explore and draw simple shapes, lines to the nearest centimetre and lines to the nearest half. The children will also learn 'The Prism and Pyramid Family' before moving onto Amounts.

## History

Our big question for this topic is 'What is a monarch?' We will be learning about the monarchy today and investigating the past by looking at how William the Conqueror become the King of England. The children will compare the monarchy today to the monarchy in the past and study different types of castles and consider how these evolved over time.

# Art & Design

During this half term children will be working on their art & design skills, the children will be crafting with clay, weaving a picture with paper, designs in the style of Clarice Cliff, shading and painting.



Our unit 'Citizenship' will cover a range of different topics, they will begin by looking rules, the local environment and the school environment. The children will also learn the different needs for a range of pets, discussing the needs of babies and children, identifying different groups children belong to and discussing voting.



# **Music**

This half term the children will be creating a performance based on 'Myths and Legends'. The children will look at rhythm, structure and graphic score and by the end of this unit will have composed, rehearsed and performed for their

### **Computing**

E Safety Focus: Privacy and Security — Looking at how passwords can be used to protect information. Computing Focus: Creating Media-Digital Music. Looking at rhythms and patterns, notes and tempo, how music can be used and creating digital music.

### ₽ø₫ PE

Our unit this half term is 'Rackets, Bats & Balls. The focus of the learning is for pupils to apply their learning and understanding of hitting a ball with a racket from year 1. Alongside this will be a 'Gymnastics: Pathways' unit, the focus of the learning is to apply 'champion gymnastics' exploring different pathways (zig-zag), creating movements that pupils can link together.



Our big question this term is 'What is the good news Christians believe Jesus brings?' During this topic the children will be looking at telling stories from the bible and linking with the concept of Gospel. They will also explore the instructions Jesus gave to Christians on how to behave.