



Year Group Information Sheet for Parents – Lower Key Stage 2 Summer 2



In Lower Key Stage 2, our learning this half-term will see us exploring the text **Our Castle by the Sea**, which is a historical novel set during World War 2. It explores the experiences of Petra, a 12-year-old girl who lives in a lighthouse on the cliffs of Dover with her German mother and English father.

This text provides opportunities for pupils to learn about courage, family and resilience during wartime, as Petra faces challenges, uncovers secrets, and finds strength in protecting her loved ones.

In **English** this half-term, pupils will be writing a diary entry inspired by our canon text this half-term. We will also be writing an adventure narrative.

We will be focussing on ensuring that our spelling, punctuation and presentation is to a high standard, as well as learning the features of these text types.

In **Mathematics** this half-term, we will be focussing on shape and statistics. We will also be consolidating what we have learnt so far in the year.

We will be using our knowledge of times tables to help us in our new topics and focus on quick recall of multiplication skills.

In our Topic-driven afternoons we will be:

History

In History, we will be learning about the key events that caused World War 2 and how it has impacted today's society.

Geography

In Geography, we will be continuing to develop our mapping skills and use these to locate UK cities using map scales.

Science

In Science this half-term, we will be learning about a variety of biological systems in animals, including digestion, muscular and skeletal systems. This will also include learning about human systems.

Art & Design

In Art, we will be painting the theme of water inspired by David Hockney. In DT, pupils will create an electrical circuit which will safely carry an electrical current.

PSHE & RE

In PSHE, we will be exploring how to keep yourself and others safe in an emergency. In RE, we will be continuing to learn about stories from the Bible and how these are used to teach important messages to Christians.

You can help your child's learning by:

- ✓ Talking to me about the Topics I've been learning in school.
- ✓ Asking me to apply my maths skills in real life situations (e.g. counting change).
- ✓ Listening to me read and asking questions.
- ✓ Supporting me with my homework tasks.
- ✓ Helping me practise my spellings and times-tables.

Lower Key Stage 2 Teachers: Miss Hunt and Miss Patterson

Other adults: Miss Dimmock, Mrs Durham, Mrs Lansdell and Mrs Weathers

Year 3 - P.E. is on: **Monday (Tennis) and Tuesday (Football)**

Year 4 - P.E. is on: **Tuesday (Swimming) and Thursday (Tennis/Football)**

Please ensure your child has their PE uniform with them in a bag on these days.

Homework:

Your child is expected to read a minimum 50 minutes a week, please evidence this in their reading record.
Spelling and times-table homework will go home every Friday.
Spelling tests are completed on a Friday morning.
Please ensure all homework is completed and handed into the class teacher by the following Friday.