

Year 2

Autumn Term

2024-2025

**Reading:**

Please read together or encourage your child to read independently at home. If their reading record is completed at least 4 times a week they will be entered into a raffle to win books for themselves and a friend. Please ensure the reading diary is signed by Friday.

Poem of the Week:

A weekly poem will be sent home for your child to rehearse and practice. This will be shared during our guided reading sessions.

Homework:

Weekly tasks linked to class learning will be set on Seesaw on a Monday and due on the same Thursday.

P.E. Days:

Tuesday and Wednesday. Pupils must come to school dressed in correct PE kit.

Special events:

- Musical Concert (to share and celebrate our skills from our JMS Music lessons) on 25th November – time tbc.
- Mont Orgueil Castle – date tbc.

This term our learning will be based around the theme of **‘Knights and Castles’**

Children will learn about the following...

Maths: Place value, addition and subtraction, and shape. Problem solving and reasoning skills will be included in all aspects of our maths learning.

English: Writing – Our writing is inspired by our topic ‘Knights and Castles’. We will be refining our handwriting to develop consistently neat letter formation. We will be looking at spelling, grammar and punctuation in class to develop our writing even further. Reading – whole class reading, individual reading, shared reading and focusing on comprehension within all reading activities. Our focus texts will be The Colour Monster (Letter), Clockwork Dragon (Newspaper report), There’s No Dragon in this Story (Short story), The Little Wooden Robot (Adventure narrative).

Science: Half Term 1: Uses of Everyday Materials. Half Term 2: Animals, including humans.

Art: Painting – Coat of Arms.

DT: Structures – Designing a throne for a king.

History: Castles – Pupils will learn about the medieval period and explore the features of castles. They will also learn about historical events and people including the Battle of Jersey and Sir Walter Raleigh. Class trip: visit to Mont Orgueil castle. Fab finisher – instructional guide on how to build a castle.

PE: Physical literacy with a coach from Jersey Sport. Half Term 1: Target Game skills. Half Term 2: Dragos dance sessions.

Computing: Children will learn to log on and off the school network as well as open and close a programme correctly. Half Term 1: Information technology around us. Half Term 2: Digital photography.

Music: We will have a specialist music teacher from the Jersey Music Service building of a solid foundation in music, enhancing student creativity, coordination, and confidence.

RE: Half Term 1: Who is Muslim and how do they live? Half Term 2: Why does Christmas matter to Christians?

PSHE: Half Term 1: Me and My Relationships. Half Term 2: Valuing difference.

You can help your child to succeed by doing the following:

- Listening to your child read each night.
- Ask your child questions about the text they are reading.
- Maths- practise forming numbers correctly and writing numbers to 100. Practising times tables (2s, 5s and 10s)
- Encouraging them to be more independent.

We all look forward to working with you and your child in Year 2.
Miss Lebouc