English

Key Text: Greta and the Giants by Zoe Tucker and Zoe Persico.

Purpose for writing: A story to entertain and instructions to inform.

Writing: Children will identify language used in our story. They will retell the story and answer retrieval questions about the text. The children will continue to embed their knowledge of simple sentences and how to punctuate these correctly. They will extend these sentence using the conjunction and.

Grammar: Children will embed their knowledge of a simple sentence. They will focus on punctuating a sentence correctly (finger spaces, capital letters, full stops.) Children will begin to look at suffixes –est/er ful/less.

Children will also begin to look at plurals and contractions.

Word reading/Comprehension: The children will focus on retelling stories and retrieving information from a text. They will also explore the meaning of new words.

Geography

Focus: Physical geography and locational knowledge

During this unit, the children will review their learning about
the seven continents and five oceans, being able to
confidently name these and locate them on a map. They will
be able to locate the equator, North Pole and South Pole.
The children will be able to use a range of visual resources
(images, aerial photographs, videos and maps) to identify key
human and physical features within the Arctic and
Antarctica. This includes the weather and seasons. They will
also begin to use positional and locational language to
describe the position of the Poles, including their proximity
to the equator and the continents.

Art

Focus: Drawing and 3D sculpture

In art this term, the children will explore the concept of drawing and sculpting with nature. The children will learn how they can use their pencils to create different shades, we will practice drawing objects in nature, specifically flowers and trees. We will then learn ways we can use nature to create art and help to make sculptures. We will make faces out of clay and use natural resources to help us create these.

Year 1/2 Spring 2

Computing

Focus: Spreadsheets and coding.

Unit 1.7 Coding: The children will understand what instructions are and predict what might happen when they are followed. They will use code to plan and make a computer programme.

Blue Planet

Focus: The world

Music

Focus: Round and Round

The children will explore a Bossa Nova
Latin style. They will do this through musical
games and activities based around the song,
children will develop their performing and
improvising skills and knowledge.

PE

Focus: Agility, balance, co - ordination via gymnastics and dance . The children will be exploring basic shapes and body control creating movement patterns to music.

PSHE

Focus: Living in the wider world.

The children will continue to explore: What can we do with money? How can we look after each other and the world? They will also look at having a positive attitude.

Maths

Year 1 KIRFS: Counting in 2s and 10s.

Year 2 KIRFS: Recall the 2 and 10 times tables, including multiplication and division facts.

Multiplication: Children will begin counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. Year 2 children will also count in 3s. They will become familiar with the language of 'groups of' to understand multiplication. They will know that groups must be equal and will use a range of concrete and pictorial resources to make equal groups. They will then see multiplication as adding equal groups and the Year 2 children will extend this knowledge to the use of the multiplication symbol and times table facts.

Division: Children will apply their knowledge of equal groups to understand that division can be carried out through sharing or grouping. Children will use a range of concrete and pictorial representations to solve division problems through sharing or grouping. The Year 2 children will then begin to use the division symbol and times table facts.

Science

Biology: Living things and habitats

In this unit, the children will explore different Polar habitats, in the North and South Pole, tying in with their Geography unit. They will understand the fundamental things a habitat needs. They will focus in particular on the animals and plants that live in the Polar regions and the surrounding oceans. The children will use observations to explore how animals and plants have adapted to suit their environment.

Children will also take part in a Science week activity. This year the theme for this is 'Change & Adapt'.

RE

Focus: Why does Easter matter to Christians?

Children will have an understanding of the true meaning of Easter and why it is so important to Christians. They will look at the story of Easter, The Holy Week and discuss how Christians see Jesus as a saviour.