

## Curriculum Overview – Key stage 2

### Summer Term 2021

Our main topic this term is '**The Secret Life of Cats**'. For this topic, our work will be focussed around the text 'Varjak Paw'. We will be exploring plants and growth in science and drawing skills in art and data handling in computing. Nearer the end of the term, children will also spend time thinking about '**Moving On**', either to their new Middle School or into Year 4. We are hoping that our Year 4 residential trip and sports day should go ahead, we will carry out a child well-being survey during the term, as well as cat themed topic day.

#### English

In English children will be reading Varjak Paw to support our topic work. They will be writing diary entries from the point of view of the main character and will be exploring how to write in the first person, writing in grammatically accurate ways in fictional and non-fiction contexts. Within their writing they will be focussing on the use of conjunctions, relative clauses (who, that or which), expanding noun phrases and using commas in a list. Children will continue to develop their understanding and inference in guided reading through discussion and written work. Children will be learning phonic sounds or spelling rules to help them with their spellings.

#### Maths

The children will be finishing their work on fractions and will be learning to multiply and divide numbers in new ways, developing their fluency and their ability to apply mathematical reasoning and problem-solving strategies. They will also learn about geometry towards the end of the year. We will keep rehearsing multiplication facts in class.

#### Computing

The children will be using laptops to learn about and explore e-safety and using online resources such as Google Earth to research information.

#### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children will be learning about how we value difference in local and wider contexts as well of preparing for changes ahead of them.

R.E. This half term in RE the children will learning about the key beliefs of the Christian faith.

#### Science

Children will be carrying out experiments and investigations with growing plants. They will develop their skills to plan, carry out, observe and conclude. The children will also be learning about rocks later in the summer term.

#### Geography

We will be using maps, atlases and globes to locate countries and discuss the physical features of different regions.

#### Art & D.T.

Children will learning to improve their drawing skills in sketch books using different media such as sketching pencils, sticks, charcoals and ink and will create larger scale works of art.

#### Music

Some children will continue to learn the skills involved with playing the violin. They will also listen to and compose music that reflect the countries and cities they learn about.

#### P.E.

In PE children will be learning about dance and creating dance routines. They will also be learning about striking balls and fielding in outdoor games such as rounders, tennis and cricket.

