Maths

Objectives to be covered this term;

- Use arrays to explore commutativity of multiplication
- Divide by 2, 5 and 10 using their knowledge of the times tables.
- Recognise odd and even numbers.
- To learn and recall the 2, 5 and 10 times tables
- Recognise and name 2D and 3D shape.
- To understand and be able to use the terms vertex and vertices in relation to shape.
- To show knowledge of the properties of shape.
- To be able to halve an amount or object.
- To understand the terms numerator and denominator

Ways to help at home

- Practise times tables using TT Rockstars, four times a week for 10 minutes.
- Is able to show that 4 x 5 and 5 x 4 both equal twenty using arrays.
- Is able to recognise that a number is odd if it has 1,3,5,7 or 9 in the ones column and is even if it has 0,2,4,6,8 in the ones column.
- Discuss shapes you see around the home, can they name them? (2D or 3D shapes)
- Challenge children to describe shapes using their features. EG children could say 'they have 4 sides and 4 vertices = square.
- Discuss fractions whenever appropriate EG when having a pizza; How many sections is this split into? What fraction of the pizza do you have?
- Children know that numerator is the top number and denominator is the bottom number in a fraction.

Key Vocabulary

Our topic for the Spring term is 'Castles and Monarch's'. We will be looking at castle life, discussing why castles were always built on high ground and exploring castle defences. We will explore stories about castles and dragons and create our own fairy tale adventure stories. We will also be looking at kings and queens from the past up to the present monarch and look at how they used castles in their position. We will be listening to medieval music and comparing this to music today.

| King | tower | coronation | coat of arms | arrow slits |
|---------|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| Queen | turret | crown | shield | bailey |
| monarch | trebuchet | reign | crossbow | curtain wall |
| moat | drawbridge | medieval | battlements | tower |



Spring Update Edison Class

Spellings

The Year 2 spelling pattern document will be sent out as a separate email each week with a focus on a particular pattern and examples of which words we will look at using that pattern. This pattern will be taught every Monday. Please ensure your child is familiar with these patterns and practises learning these at home. We will also continue with daily spelling and phonics sessions, called 'Bridge to Spellings'. There will be a meeting to parents for this with Mr Knighton during the Spring Term.

Home learning

Homework with be provided for all KS1 children and this will be sent out on a Monday with the work expected back 2 weeks later.. This homework will be revision of work covered in class or some pre learning for the following week, it will be something that is age appropriate for Year 2 and something that I believe that they can do reasonably independently. They may need a bit of encouragement to get going, but they won't need 1:1 support. In addition to this please read with your child as often as you can and record this in their 'We love to read' book..

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

English

Objectives to be covered this term Writing

- To plan a piece of writing using a familiar structure.
- To Create narrative introductions that answer who when and where.
- To use paragraphs to group related ideas.
- To compose writing in chronological order.
- To use time adverbials to sequence events To be able to make simple additions, revisions and corrections to their own writing by evaluating their writing with the teacher and other pupils. Use exclamation sentences **Reading**
- To know how to read words containing common suffixes
- To recognise simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry

Ways to help at home Writing

- Practise writing simple sentences using capital letters and full stops. Show child a sentence with no capital letter and full stop and see if they can correct this.
- Get your child to write out lists for your shopping. EG Bananas, carrots, soup etc.
- Practise writing letters of the correct size and formation.
- Practise describing objects using adjectives and link them together using a comma to create an expanded noun phrase EG, The gigantic, red fire engine.

Reading

 Read a story that has repeating language in it EG 'The Gruffalo' or 'Zog' and see if your child picks up on the repeated phrases. EG 'As he zigzagged through the blue...'