

SATs

The Key Stage 1 SATs will take place during the month of May. There is further guidance on the school website. Children will take assessments in reading and mathematics.

Reading

Children are expected to be able to read common exception words, noting unusual correspondences between spelling and sound. Your child will have a comprehension session at least once per week focusing develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding.

We continue to expect children to read with an adult at home five times a week. Please make a note of this in your child's reading record. Reading for pleasure and meaning is crucial. It is important that you create an environment that fosters and promotes a love of reading.

Writing

This assessment period our literacy will focus on The Leopard's Drum, one of our core books. We will also be reading Katie and the Sunflowers and The Very Hungry Caterpillar.

As our topic is "What a Wonderful World!" there will be many writing opportunities linked to this. For example, we will be rewriting and improving The Very Hungry Caterpillar, writing stories about mini-beasts and seeds. We will be exploring stories from other cultures. If children have any stories from other cultures, they are encouraged to bring them in.

Mathematics

A detailed AP3 curriculum map can be found on the school website. We will be learning more about fractions and their equivalence, telling the time, 2x, 5x and 10x tables, data handling and knowing and using standard measures.

Please encourage your child to use www.numbergym.co.uk. Your child's teacher will have the login details.

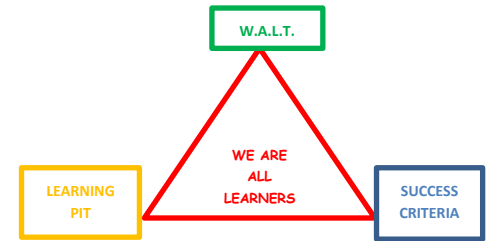
Science

We will be learning about the basic needs of animals and their offspring. Children will learn to identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including micro-habitats. They will describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals, using the idea of a simple food chain, and identify and name different sources of food.

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Design & Technology

During design and technology lessons, we will be designing a vegetable stew and learning to cut, peel, grate and cook ingredients safely and hygienically. Children will learn about and understand where food comes from.

Computing

Children will be learning about online safety and using technology respectively. They will be taking photos, editing them and creating interactive maps. We will also be organising the data that they will collect from a bug hunt, recording it and using a graphing package which they will then use to answer questions about the animals.

Geography / History

In geography, we will be using simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of the school and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment. The children will understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of the United Kingdom and of a contrasting non-European country.

For history we will look at the lives of significant individuals including Florence Nightingale.

Clubs

Look out for clubs advertised in the school newsletter. Our website www.st-johns-green.eschools.co.uk and Twitter feed @SJG_News give more information and upcoming events.

Trips and Visits

Year 2 will be visiting Colchester Town Library and doing field trips in the local area.

Physical Education

Our PE lessons will focus on team games including dodgeball. We will be mastering basic movement, e.g, running, jumping, throwing, catching, balance, agility and coordination.

Homework

Spellings will be given out on a Friday and tested the subsequent Friday.

Understanding the Arts

Children will be learning to sing songs, particularly 'What a Wonderful World' by Louis Armstrong. They will also have opportunities to practice using tuned and un-tuned instruments.

In art we will be learning about the work of Van Gogh and developing techniques to paint our own version of the Sunflowers. We will also be learning about the work of a range of local artists.

Religious Understanding

We will be learning about special ways of living, with a focus on Buddhism and Islam.

Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education

In Jigsaw lessons, we will learn to maintain healthy relationships and about our bodies and how they change.

We are out on the playground at the beginning and end of the school day. If you would like a longer discussion with us please make an appointment at the school office. There are regular Open Mornings and Open School Afternoons for you to experience parts of the school day at both our sites.

Year 2 Curriculum Leaflet for Assessment Period 3 - March 2017

St John's Green Primary School



Learn to Live, Live to Learn

Teachers: Mr Green, Miss Gammans, Miss Kerr, Mrs O'Shea and Miss Wiggins

Learning Support Assistants: Ms Hillier, Mrs Corani, Miss Ketley, Mrs Evans and Mrs Simmonds.

Our Core Values:

Be **Happy**

Care for yourself and one another

Be **Inquisitive** – ask questions

Don't give up – **Persevere**

Be **Successful**

Always try to do your **Best**