

## Reading

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 is crucial. It is important that you create an environment that fosters and promotes a love of reading.

Our Core books- see below – will be the main focus for our reading comprehension sessions.

## Writing

This assessment period our literacy will focus on our core books which are: Deadly 60 and Macavity the Mystery Cat. We will also be reading Man on the Moon and watching The Snowman.

As our topic is "Out of this World!" there will be many writing opportunities linked to this. For example, we will be writing instructions for looking after the moon. In addition, we will write diaries, newspaper reports and speech. Finally, we will retell the story of Macavity the Mystery Cat.

Over the holidays, please find as many opportunities for your child to write as possible.

## Mathematics

This assessment period, we will be learning about doubling. Children will learn doubles of numbers to 20 and corresponding halves. We will be describing and sorting 2d shapes as well identifying lines of symmetry and right angles. Will be counting in 2s, 5s, 10s and 3s and identifying multiples of these numbers. Rounding two digit numbers and rounding these.

Please encourage your child to use [www.numbergym.co.uk](http://www.numbergym.co.uk). Your child's teacher will have the login details. The Bond Builder section is an excellent way to learn key number facts.

## Science

We will be learning to differentiate between living, dead and non-living things. We will be using the children's moon buggies created in DT to investigate and compare how things move on different surfaces.

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## Design & Technology

During design and technology lessons, we will be investigating mechanisms and building our own moving moon buggies. We will evaluate existing products and our own ideas and build bridges to test them.

We will learn about where food comes from and make our own Chinese food menus.

## Computing

Computing sessions will focus on developing understanding of what algorithms are (set of instructions). Children will use Clicker 7 to create stories. We will use Scratch to learn to program a spaceship and debug it.

## Geography / History

In history, we will be learning about the development of space travel with a focus on Tim Peake and Neil Armstrong. We will also learn about the explorations of Ernest Shackleton and

In geography, we will be comparing the Antarctic with our local environment focussing on polar bears and the climate change. We will also learn about China for Chinese New Year.

## Clubs

Look out for clubs advertised in the school newsletter. Our website [www.st-johns-green.eschools.co.uk](http://www.st-johns-green.eschools.co.uk) and Twitter feed @SJG\_News give more information and upcoming events.

### **Trips and Visits**

Year 2 will have a special visit from a Mad Scientist, during which they will learn about forces and be taking part in a rocket launch. They will also receive astronaut training.

### **Physical Education**

Our dance lessons will be based around the work of the dance show Stomp. While we will also work on basic movements like running, jumping, throwing and catching. In games we will focus on developing our tactical awareness.

### **Practice at Home**

Spellings will be given out on a Friday and tested the subsequent Friday. The pass mark for these tests is 8/10.

### **Music**

Children will use the Glockenspiel to exploring playing to a certain rhythm.

### **Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education**

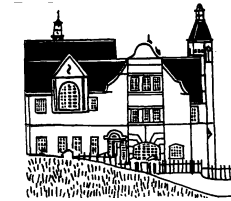
In Jigsaw lessons, we will learn about our dreams and our goals. We will also learn about staying healthy.

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**

### **Assessment Period 2**

### **St John's Green Primary School**



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Teachers: Mr Green, Miss Gammans, Miss Kerr, Miss Wiggins, Mrs Talbott

Learning Support Assistants: Ms Hillier, Mrs Corani, Miss Ketley, Mrs Swann 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**