

<u>Year Two Curriculum Overview</u>	<u>Summer One Half Term</u>	<u>Learning Focus: Our Great World</u>
End of Key Stage One Assessments	This half term is a busy time for children in Year Two. In May, children will sit their End of Key Stage One Assessments in reading and mathematics. These will consist of two reading papers and two mathematics papers. Children will have plenty of practise and preparation for these assessments and there is more information on our school website regarding these assessments which can be found at https://www.stlrnci.bham.sch.uk/ks1/	
English - Phonics	Children will focus on adding suffixes to root words. These include changing the 'y' to an 'i' before adding the suffixes 'ed', 'er' and 'est' such as happy to happier. Children will also explore adding suffixes when we have to drop the 'e' at the end of the root word as in hiking and learn the rules for suffixes such as 'ment' and 'tion'.	
English - Writing	In writing, children will read and re-write the story 'Why the Koala has a Stumpy Tail,' an Australian folktale. This will link with our geography work all about the different countries and continents in our world. We will then research the life of Amelia Earhart creating a display for our classrooms. This new knowledge will then help us to write a fact file all about her life.	
Mathematics	In mathematics, children will learn to tell the time on an analogue clock. Children will learn about the position of the minute and hour hands and learn to tell the time to the four quarter intervals: o'clock, quarter past, half past and quarter to. Children will also be revisiting many of the taught contents from this year with a focus on reasoning and problem solving.	
Science	As scientists we will be focusing on seeds and plants. We will begin by looking at a range of different seeds and discuss how they germinate. We will then plan and create our own class experiment into what plants need to survive and grow. We will compare the effect of light, heat and soil on how our seeds grow.	
Geography	As part of our geography learning, each week we will focus on different continents and the surrounding oceans. Each time we will be creating a fact sheet of useful information about their countries, famous landmarks, wildlife and other facts.	
PE	In PE children will work with Chris, our sports coach, and focus on rounders. Children will learn to use their throwing skills in tasks that involve hitting targets and scoring points. They will also learn to bowl with control and accuracy as well as striking a ball accurately. In dance, children will combine skills such as travelling and jumping, turning on different levels.	
PSHE	Our focus for the half term will be on keeping safe. We will explore and discuss ways we can keep safe outside including road safety and protection from the sun. We will also learn about different trusted adults who can keep us safe and about medicines - how they can help us but how it is important to be safe around them.	
RE	In RE, children will explore the messages of good news found in the Bible reading stories such as The Ten Lepers and the importance of being polite and kind. As part of our multi-faith curriculum, children will learn about Shabbat and why the day is important to the Jewish Faith.	