



What are we learning this term?  
Cross-curricular theme - Japan

Class 2: Miss MacRae  
Term 3: January 2025 - April 2025



### Literacy & Language

Pupils will continue to develop their understanding and use of various spelling strategies and rules using their spelling workbooks.

Pupils will also continue to develop their reading and comprehension skills through guided reading sessions and focused reading comprehension across the week.

Persuasive and procedural writing will be the main focus of our writing lessons. We will work on creating texts that use strong arguments and clear reasoning to persuade people of our viewpoints. Additionally, we will learn how to write short, detailed directions to guide people through procedures. Developing these skills will support us in creating strong arguments and inspire action.



Articles 12, 13, 17 & 28

### Numeracy & Mathematics

Through both active and written activities, pupils will be developing their knowledge and application of the following concepts within numeracy:

- Order of Operations
- Number Patterns
- Expressions & Equations



We will continue to strengthen our skills in division, as well as deepen our understanding of fractions, decimals, and percentages.

We will also be exploring measure this term, looking at length, weight and volume and focusing on the link with fractions and decimals. Later in the term we will focus on money and using the 4 operations to solve problems.

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### Social Subjects / IDL

This term, Class 2 will begin an exciting journey to explore Japan! We'll look into its rich culture, geography and history.

Activities will include learning basic Japanese phrases, explore traditional arts like origami and calligraphy and discover famous landmarks such as Mount Fuji and the cherry blossoms. We will also incorporate Japanese cuisine by tasting traditional foods and discussing their cultural significance. Class 2 will begin reading "Kensuke's Kingdom" by Michael Morpurgo, a novel influenced by Japanese culture that follows a young boy's adventure on a remote island. To conclude the term, we will create PowerPoints and share our knowledge about Japan.



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### Technologies (ICT, Food & Textiles)



Pupils will use ICT daily to enhance their learning, incorporating digital tools to create engaging presentations, such as PowerPoints, while also developing essential digital skills for communicating ideas effectively. They will also participate in hands-on design, creation, and evaluation through challenges in cooking, textiles, and creative projects. These activities will help pupils gain confidence in using technology both in the classroom and for personal projects.

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#### Art

This term, pupils will explore their artistic talents through traditional art materials and techniques. They will develop their own unique designs, starting from initial sketches through to a final piece. We will incorporate artwork inspired by our **Japan** topic and **Burns Day**, exploring cultural themes and traditions through creative expression.



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### Health & Wellbeing

This term, our focus is on promoting physical and mental wellbeing, with an emphasis on building healthy relationships and making positive lifestyle choices. Pupils will learn strategies to support their emotional wellbeing, engage in activities that enhance physical health, and develop skills for forming positive, respectful relationships. Through these efforts, we aim to encourage resilience, self-care, and healthy habits, fostering an environment of support and personal growth.

**P.E:** This term in gym we will be working on gymnastics skills such as balancing, jumping and rolling. Pupils will have the opportunity to learn various techniques, build strength, and enhance their coordination through engaging activities.

Please ensure that pupils have P.E kits on a Monday and Wednesday.

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### Science

In Science this term we are going to learn about light through exploring shadows, the light spectrum and reflections. We will also be learning about inventions and scientific discoveries as well as the uses and properties of substances.



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### Outdoor Learning



Outdoor learning will take place at varying times across the week, therefore pupils should ensure that they have appropriate outdoor clothing available to them in school.

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### R.M.E

Our new topic in RME for this term is Judaism and Passover. Pupils will explore key events in the life of Moses, understand his significance and the Ten Commandments. We will learn about the celebration of Passover, Jewish beliefs about God, and how the Torah serves as the Holy book in Judaism, comparing it with the Christian Bible.

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#### French

This term we will focus on ordinal numbers, our town and country and also giving directions in French.

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### Expressive Arts & Music

Class 2 will have weekly music lessons with Miss Nelson with a focus on singing, performing and brass tuition. They are working towards a final performance based on the Wizard of Oz- information will follow at a later date.

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### Ethos and life of the school:

Breakfast Club Outdoor Learning Toothbrushing Celebrations of Learning Committees Autism Awareness Day Personal Reflection Electives Wider Achievements World Book Day Red Nose Day Spring Celebrations Spirit of Sport Rights Respecting Schools Making Thinking Visible STEM Week Extra Curricular Activities GE Visit Pupil of the Week