

# Year 2 Spring Term Learning Challenge 2021

## Are Pirates Real?



### Successful Learners

#### Areas of Learning

**As geographers** we will devise simple maps and use and construct basic symbols in a key.

**As historians** we will learn to use methods of historical enquiry. We will look at the history of piracy and find out about the lives of famous pirates.

**As scientists** we will develop our understanding of the nature, processes and methods of science through different types of science enquiries that help to answer questions about the world. We will be completing a floating and sinking STEM challenge using coins and tin foil.

**As mathematicians** we will be learning to multiply and divide numbers. We will master these operations using concrete apparatus and then begin using our number facts to divide by 2, 5 and 10.

**As readers we will** continue learning phonics and learn to blend sounds to read. We will be focusing on developing the speed of our reading and recognising alternative sounds.

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**As writers** we will be writing letters inspired by our story book Normal the Slug with a silly shell. We will also be learning how to structure and write sets of instructions.

**As artists** we will be learning how to make a styrafoam tile and we will create a print for a fabric flag.

**As design technologists** we will explore and use mechanisms in their products.

**As information technologists** we will be learning about questioning and the importance of asking precise questions for a computer database to understand.

**As musicians** we will be singing. We will use Garage Band to develop our musical literacy and learn how a piece of music is built up in layers.

In **Religious Education** we will be learning about New Life. We will learn about the Easter story and consider why Christians see it as a new beginning. We will make links between the Easter story and nature.

### Christian Values

**Thankfulness, Honesty, Love, Hope, Forgiveness, Compassion, Friendship, Courage.**

We will be exploring the value *Courage*. We will learn what it means to be courageous and how having courage can help us. We will learn how courage can be used for good by listening to stories about people from the past and from the bible. We will consider how we can be courageous ourselves and become agents for change.

### Building Learning Powers-Resilience

We will be continuing to develop our resilience this half term. We will learn how to persevere when challenged and to understand that mistakes are great because this means that we are learning. We will work on improving our empathy and listening skills to make sure that we are always ready to learn in the classroom. Managing our distractions is important in year 2 and we continue improving our ability to concentrate for longer and focusing on our learning.

Welcome back to school! We have really missed having all the children in school and it has been great to have them all back.

I was really proud of all the children during our school closure and I would like to say a huge thank you to all of the parents- you all went above and beyond to support your children with their online learning and this was great to see!

READING- It is very important that your child is reading at home! The children have the opportunity to change their reading book and their library book every day and it would be great if they were being encouraged and supported to read at home every night.

HOMEWORK- The children will be receiving homework each week. It will now be set on google classroom just as the home learning was during our school closure. If you have any problems using this then please let me know and we can sort a paper copy for your child each week.

I try to be present on the Year 2 gate every morning and evening so please feel free to speak to me about any issues or any concerns regarding your child's learning. It is great to see your children back in school and enjoying their learning. I am looking forward to seeing them all progress during the rest of this year.

Mr Burgess

# St George's CE Primary School



## Information

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