

Burton Leonard Church of England (VC) Primary School

Class 2

Areas of Learning Spring Term 2018

<p><u>English</u> We are learning about Quest stories. We are reading the story of 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman to give us some ideas. We will then be moving on to information and persuasive texts.</p>	<p><u>Maths</u> See the Maths tab for aspects of learning in our Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 Maths curriculum for the year.</p>
<p><u>Geography</u> This term the children will be learning about China, including finding out where China is in the world and some of the major cities and rivers in the country. They will learn about the human and physical features of China and learn more about Beijing, comparing a typical school day in Beijing and England.</p> 	<p><u>Social and Emotional Aspects of Learning</u> This curriculum aims to develop the underpinning qualities and skills that help promote positive behaviour and effective learning. It focuses on five social and emotional aspects of learning: self-awareness, managing feelings, motivation, empathy and social skills. The theme this term is 'Getting On.' Children focus again on the value of diversity and cooperation in continuing to build a positive classroom ethos. They consider the different types of relationships that they have and explore what expectations and behaviours might be appropriate to each. They go on to consider how perceived differences between people can lead to wrong assumptions and missed friendship opportunities. Common friendship problems and solutions are explored through a group-work challenge. Work on managing conflict continues, with children generating a list of behaviours or words that are likely to 'hot up' or 'cool down' a difficult situation. Children deepen and extend their understanding of anger, and the need to take responsibility for our behaviour when we are angry.</p>
<p><u>Art and Design</u> We will be investigating Chinese art with a painting focus. We will look at Chinese characters and different art produced by Chinese artists and potters.</p>	 <p><u>Design and Technology – Textiles</u> This term we will be exploring the creation of Chinese symbols. We will be making bookmarks using cross – stitch patterns for the year of our birth. 2018 is the Year of the Dog.</p>
<p><u>Science</u> <b>Materials</b> We will be finding out about the differences between solids, liquids and gases. We will then move on to find out more about evaporation and the water cycle.</p>	<p><u>German</u> Die vier Freunde (The four friends) Es wächst (Growing things)</p>
<p><u>Computing</u> During the next few weeks pupils will be learning how to create a spreadsheet and input data. We will explore the use of spreadsheets in real world scenarios and experiment with some of the basic functions such as auto sum. Later in the term pupils will have the opportunity to work with Lego Robotics programming and post images and comments on their learning to the Class 2 blog.</p>	<p><u>Religious Education</u> We will be looking at everyday symbols and signs, and then learning about the meaning of symbols in different religions. Later we will explore the Jewish festival of Passover and the significance of the food eaten. Our Easter topic is 'Hope from despair'.</p>

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<p><u>Physical Education</u> Unit 3 – Cognitive skills Gymnastics Unit 4 – Creative skills Netball</p>	<p><u>Music</u> Unit 3 – Rhythm We will be playing different rhythms, learning some basic notation and creating our own rhythms. We will also link our music with the China topic.</p>
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