Reminders for this term:

- Year 2's school day starts at 8.55 am and children are expected to be in the classroom by then. Please ensure that your child is here on time every day.
- Year 2's school day finishes at 3.15pm.
- Every day is vital please make sure that your child does not miss school unless they are seriously unwell. Holidays in term time are not permitted. Please let the school office know if your child is absent.
- If you have asked another adult to collect your child at the end of the day, you must inform the school office, as the class teacher will not let an unknown adult collect a child without verbal permission from the parent/carer.
- Our School Uniform is important please make sure your child is wearing the correct clothes and shoes and that they have the correct PE kit. Please ensure that every item of your child's school uniform is named with a sewn on label or permanent pen.
- PE lessons will take place on Wednesdays and Fridays. Children must come in in their PE kit on those days and where it all day.
- Your child will be set homework every Friday. It must be completed by the following Wednesday.
- Your child is expected to bring in their reading folder everyday so that letters and books can be brought home for you and your child to read.
- It is vital that you take time to read with your child as often as possible. Your child will be bringing a reading book home to read daily, along with a reading diary to record comments about their reading in.
- We are always looking for ways to improve our school please feel free to contact the school office if you have any ideas or suggestions or if there is an issue you would like to discuss.

Key Dates:

11th Jan - Y1 and 2 Wetland Centre

28th Jan – Break the Rules Day

lst February – Chinese New Year

7th to 11th February – Children's Mental Health Week

28th Feb to 4th March: Rec-Y6 Parents Meetings

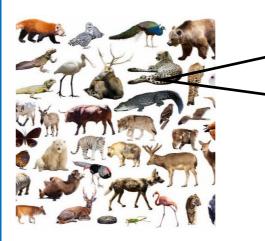
3rd March - World Book Day 2022

17th March – St Patrick's Day (Shamrock House can wear Green)

Ist April – Last day of term (finish at 2pm)

Thomas's Academy Year Two Topics, Spring

What Animal Are You?



All living things — plants, animals and people — have a home or somewhere to live that we call a 'habitat'. A habitat gives that thing everything it needs to survive. A habitat can be huge like the ocean or small like a leaf!

Who are you?

History is one big story, filled with important people who did many great things - scientists, rulers, artists, writers, explorers. By learning about these people and what they did, we can find out more about the qualities that make someone great.



The adults working in our class are:

Miss Wood - Class Teacher Miss Sam — Learning Support Assistant

If you have any questions please speak to us at the end of the school day in the playground. To contact the school office please call $0207\ 736\ 2318$ or send an email to y2@academy.thomas-s.co.uk

What Animal Are You?

We'll be discovering:

- About animals and their habitats
- How to sort living things into different groups
- What a micro-habitat is and what creatures live there
- How animals are adapted to their environment
- · How living things depend on each other

What Makes a House a Home?

We'll investigate:

- How to compare the lives of two different famous people from the past
- About the achievements of important scientists and inventors
- About what life was like at different times in the past

In <u>Art</u>. we will be creating sculptures and looking at castles around the world for inspiration. We will work with clay to explore complex shapes and experiment with how to recreate texture. Alongside the sculptural work, we will also develop our drawing, collage and digital art making skills.

In Character Curriculum

we'll be learning about our dreams and goals and how we can lead a healthy lifestyle.

Our RE focus this term is Islam.

In PE, we will be practising our ball skills by learning to dribble, pass and catch a ball. After half term we'll be learning how to send a receive a ball with accuracy.

In Computing, our focus will be:

programming

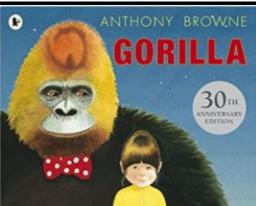
In English, we will learning about:

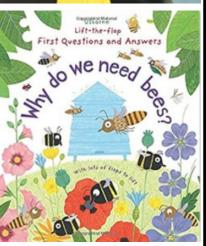
- How to write a non chronological report (nonfiction)
- How to write a recount (nonfiction)
- How to write a letter (nonfiction)
- How to write a character description (fiction)
- How to write a wishing tale (fiction)
- Reciting poetry
- Acrostic poems

Our core texts for this term are 'Gorilla' by Anthony

Browne and "Why do we need Bees?" by Katie Daynes.

There will be an ongoing grammar, punctuation and spelling focus.





In Maths, we will be learning about:

Multiplication and Division

Calculate the times tables of 2, 5 and 10 by skip counting.

Relate the 2 times table to doubling.

Explore representations of multiplication and division.

Commutativity.

Fractions

Part-whole relationships.

Fractions as part of a whole of a whole set.

Relate to division.

Equivalent fractions.

Word Problems

Solve problems to do with multiplication, division and fractions.

In Spanish, we'll be learning:

Las formas y colores

Learn to recognise and recall 2D shapes.

Use colours to describe the shapes.

La Fruta

Learn to recognise common

Learn to express likes and dislikes. Learn some songs which include fruits.

Book 'El Bicho de la fruta'