



## South Gosforth First School

*'Roots to grow and wings to fly'*

### Maths

#### Geometry: Shape

We will be looking at the properties of 2-D and 3-D shapes.

#### Fractions

We will look at recognising and finding half, quarters and thirds of objects and amounts and begin to explore equivalence.

#### Time

Building on telling time to the hour and half hour from Year 1, we will look at quarter past, quarter to and time to 5 minute intervals.

### Music

#### Ukulele

We will be learning how to play basic chords, sing along to accompany playing and to start to use different strumming patterns.

### PE

#### Gymnastics

This half term we will focus on balance, agility and co-ordination and will plan and perform a sequence which incorporates different movements.

### Literacy

#### Poetry – animals and birds

We will be writing our own poems using alliteration, onomatopoeia, similes and rhyme.

#### "The Present" animation

We will be looking at this animation and writing a diary entry as the main character

### History

#### Why do people explore our Earth?

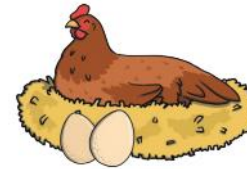
We will be looking at when and why Columbus sailed to America and will find out what life was like for a sailor in the 15<sup>th</sup> century.

We will also look at the 'discovery' that Columbus made and how it was viewed by Europe and the natives of America.

### Year 2



Why do people explore our Earth?



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### Science

#### Do living things change or stay the same?

We will build on our knowledge of naming common animals to be able to notice that animals including humans have offspring which grow into adults. We will be looking more closely at the different stages of growth in humans and animals. We will also learn about basic needs such as exercise, food and hygiene.

### Computing

#### Coding

After reviewing E-safety, we will be learning how to use loops in coding. We will be looking at how to make our programming more efficient and will compare codes. We will also be making a video presentation linked to Science.

### PSHE & 'Together Time'

#### What jobs do people do?

This term our No Outsiders text is 'The Great Big Book of Families'. We will be looking at the different jobs that people do and how jobs help people to earn money for things they want.

### Art

#### Being Human

Linking in with our Science topic, we will be exploring different forms of 'human' art by artists such as Damien Hirst and Julian Opie.

#### DT – Animal Puppets

We will be sewing felt animal puppets.

### Religious Education

#### Christian beliefs and practices

This half term we will be learning about Christian beliefs and practices around the theme of Easter.

We will be learning about the resurrection and Christian symbols of Easter.



**Character  
Culture  
Creativity  
Challenge**

**Enrichment, Hooks & Pupil Engagement:** Science – observing animal life cycles. Art – Baltic Gallery Visit. The Great SGFS Packed Lunch Off – challenge to design a healthy balanced lunch. British Science Week.

**'The Big Picture' Task:** History – In Year 1 children learned about exploration outside of Earth. In Year 2 we will be looking at why people explore our Earth and consider how there can be different historical perspectives on the same event.

**'Stunning Start' & 'Fantastic Finish' ('Mantle of the Expert'):** Mantle of the Expert- Commission by Great North Museum to create a permanent exhibition about Christopher Columbus providing information about his life and his 'discoveries'. Science – Video presentation 'A Guide to Earthlets'