



Year 2

Summer Term I

Curriculum News

Our theme this half term is:

Water, Puddles and Ponds



Health and Wellbeing

- How we can stop pollution in the rivers and sea?
- How can we stay safe online?
- Sun safety
- Get ready for weekly PE adventures where we run, jump, and play to make our bodies strong and super healthy!
- Welly Wednesdays are here! We'll stomp, explore, and discover new things outside while learning about nature!
- Find about World Earth Day

General Information

Welcome back to a new term in Term in Year 2

- We'll dive into daily phonics fun to help children crack sounds and spelling patterns, with a spelling test every Monday!
- Each day, we'll enjoy reading time together, building confidence and a real love for books
- Children will also get to pick exciting lab activities inspired by the stories we explore — bringing learning to life!
- And of course, our favourite Flashlight Fridays will continue, making reading feel like a cosy, exciting adventure for everyone

Science and Technology

- Explore 'What makes water dirty?'
- Big Question: How can pollution affect water and animals?
- Walking water experiment
- Learn about different animals that live in the ocean, rivers and ponds.
- Learn about elements of the water cycle - where does rain go after it falls?
- The frog life cycle!

LLC

- **Focus writing:** Persuasive writing
- **Skills:** Capital letters, full stops, using commas in a list, types of language to persuade
- **Reading:** Join in with our parent reading workshops this term!
- **Cymraeg:** Beth mae ____ yn wneud? (What does ____ enjoy?), Dw i'n hoffi ____ (I like ____)Dw i ddim yn hoffi ____ (I don't like ____)

Enjoy some Welsh songs together. Can you join in with the songs? [Welsh songs](#)

Expressive Arts

- Water music - what instruments can we make and use to sound like water?
 - Explore Monet's waterlily paintings
 - Practise mixing colours and sketching

Humanities

- Big Question: How did the world begin? Christians (e.g. creation stories) and Muslims (Allah as Creator)
- Make a kite out of a recycled plastic.
- Research ocean animals and pick out key facts.

Maths

Measure

- We will be looking at different scales and how to measure weight and capacity!
- We will have lots of fun exploring how much water different containers hold.
- Make bar graphs comparing animals that live in different types of water.
- We will also start to learn about fractions.

Home learning

- Weekly reading, spelling and times table practice - 2's, 3s, 5's and 10's
- Sink or float? Test objects in water to see which sink or float.
- Water volume – Pour water into different containers and compare which holds more.
- Floating toy race – Make small boats from paper or foil and race them in a tray or sink.
- River crossing challenge – Place cushions or mats on the floor as "rocks" and jump across like crossing a river.

