

Chandos Curriculum Overview Year 2 Autumn 1

Our learning this term

English

The children will begin the term by retelling the story of the Gruffalo. They will concentrate on capital letters and full stops.

They are learning to recognise statement and question sentences. They will use these in their writing about Orangutans.

They will plan and write a long piece about these animals and their habitats.



They will begin to use dictionaries and understand what nouns are. They will begin to use noun phrases by adding adjectives of colour, size and feelings before the noun. Finally, they will use connectives such as but, or, so, and to make their sentences longer.

Handwriting is an important part of year two. The children should begin to join letters together. They are introduced to new joins each week. Spellings will be tested each week and children should practise these daily at home. The children will continue to learn phonic to support their

reading and writing. In addition to their home loan books, the children now have access to many reading books via bug club. Each child now has their own log in.

Science

Our first year two topic is all about living things and their habitats.

The children will learn about what makes something living, dead or never alive. All living things move, have babies, eat, breathe, grow, are sensitive to their environment and poo! The children will investigate microclimates within the school and present this information as a graph.

They will consider offspring of animals and humans, noting the changes that occur in human life.

Mathematics

In our first half term, the children will begin to order numbers up to 100 and beyond. They will become familiar with greater than or less than symbols < and > and =. They will concentrate on knowing the place value of tens and ones. They will develop their understanding of place value by drawing jottings to add or subtract tens and ones.

How can you help your child

Each week, the children will be able to choose a book to take home and read for pleasure. Please ensure that this book is returned enabling us to change it promptly.

Use bug club regularly. There are many books to choose from and questions to support understanding.

Please come to our Parent Workshop on 4 October to find out how you can help your child with their reading.

Homework

- Do pick a good time to do the homework – preferably not in a rush, and not when their favourite TV programme is on.
- Allow the child to take the lead, only taking control if they are unsure, or need something reading or explaining.

 Let your child teach you. You will find out whether they understand their learning.
- Praise your child for working hard.

Thank you for helping your child.

Everyone will see the benefits!

Mrs Rose and Mrs Hemraj Mrs Coley, Mrs O'Neill and Miss Cartwright