

## Year 2

### Curriculum Map - Autumn Term

#### History



##### Travel and Transport

This unit will cover the development of travel and transport throughout history. Alongside consolidating the children's understanding of chronology, through using timelines and making comparisons between old and new forms of transport, the unit will focus on the inventions of cars, trains and aeroplanes. The children will look at the significant individuals George Stephenson and the Wright brothers, as well as Sir Frank Whittle and his links with the local area. An educational visit to Coventry Transport Museum will provide the opportunity for the children to see local links with the history of transport manufacture.

##### Nurturing Nurses

In this unit the children will learn about the influential nurses Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole and Edith Cavell. The children will need to establish what makes a person significant, before exploring and comparing the lives and work of these nurses and considering how these individuals have influenced nursing today.

#### PSHE & RSHE



##### (TenTen) Emotional Well-being/ Life Cycles

#### Science



##### Living Things and their Habitats

After learning what makes something a living thing, the children will explore plants and animals in a variety of habitats. They will make observations of a local habitat, investigate conditions in local microhabitats and research a range of global habitats, explaining how the living things that live there are suited to their environments. They will be introduced to the idea of dependency between plant and animal species.

##### Electricity

In this unit the children will learn about common electrical appliances and how to construct simple circuits. They will become familiar with the key words in the topic and how to use them appropriately. Children will learn about cells, wires, bulbs and buzzers. The children will learn how to be safe around electricity and danger signs to look for. They will promote the safe disposal of used batteries.

#### Physical Education



##### Dance with Ricky/ Games

#### Religious Education



##### Old Testament Stories and Prayers

The children will gain some insight into the stories and the characters of the Old Testament. It will also introduce us to important images of God found in the scriptures.

##### Special Celebrations

The children will develop their understanding of the Liturgical year as a celebration of the life of Christ. The children will also learn about Baptism and Marriage as special sacramental celebrations.

##### Sharing the Life of Jesus

The children's knowledge and understanding of the life of Mary and Jesus and the call of the disciples will be extended. They will learn about some saints who have responded to the call of Jesus.

##### Advent

The children will develop their knowledge of the time, symbols and characters of the liturgical Season of Advent. It will focus on Advent being a season of preparation for Christmas through the story of John the Baptist and parish activities.