



Year 2 Newsletter

Our newsletter is sent out fortnightly to keep you up to date.

Friday 26th September

It has been a busy week in Year 2 as we took part in Arts Week and celebrated European Day of Languages on Friday across KS1. The children loved completing a carousel of activities combining the arts with new languages and countries including Spain, Switzerland, Italy and The Netherlands!



In science lessons we have started to learn all about living and non living things. We looked at the 6 main things that all living things need (quiz the children to see if they remember!) and discussed that some things were once living but are not anymore. We then had a hunt around the school and sorted objects into living, dead and never been alive. We had lots of fun!



In English, we have been learning a version of *The Bog Baby* by Jeanne Willis. Through this story, we have been revisiting the use of capital letters and full stops, as well as exploring the capitalisation of proper nouns.

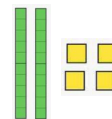


In our spelling lessons, we have been getting to grips with the first of our Year 2 common exception words. We have also begun investigating the different ways of writing the phoneme /j/ and how to correctly decide which to use. Don't forget, if you wish to use it, Spelling Shed is available for children to practise patterns and those tricky common exception words at home.



This week in maths we have been looking at two digit numbers and how we can partition them into tens and ones. We have also made our own comparison tool to develop our understanding when using < > and = to compare amounts. To support your child at home, you may like to watch [this Numberblocks episode](#), play Snakes and Ladders or even use 10p and 1p coins to make different amounts.

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Our exciting and very popular reading challenge. Get ready to read in a funny voice, build blanket dens, wear your clothes back to front and a host of other wacky ways to help build reading miles but ultimately a love of reading.



We have been incredibly busy this week with preparations for our harvest assembly and are looking forward to you joining us on **Wednesday 8th October at 2:30pm.**



Last week all children were given a short sentence to read in our assembly. We would be very grateful if you could help your child to practise reading their sentence in a clear and loud voice.

Key Dates and Curriculum link

KS1 Harvest Assembly—Wednesday 8th October 2:30pm

Parents' Evening—WB Monday 13th October

Halloween Disco—Thursday 23rd October

Link to curriculum map—<https://southridge.eschoolswebsites.com/goto/271447?slug=year-3-class-page>

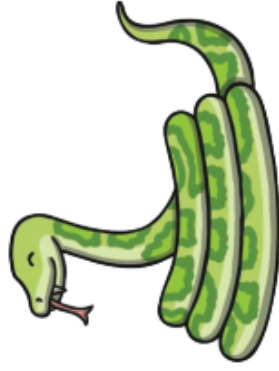
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Nut-free Packed Lunches and Snacks

Please can we remind parents not to send packed lunch items or snacks which contain nuts. We have children in school with extremely serious nut allergies. We appreciate your help in this matter.



Snakes and Ladders



You will need...

- The Snakes and Ladders Board Game board
- A dice
- A counter per player

How to play...

1. Players take it in turns to roll the dice.
The player with the highest number goes first, the person with the second highest goes second and so on.
2. The player moves the counter the number of spaces shown on the dice.
3. If a player lands on a snake's head, the player's counter slides down to the square at the snake's tail.
4. If a player lands on the bottom of a ladder, the player's counter climbs up to the square at the top of the ladder.
5. The first player to reach 100 is the winner!

100	99	98	97	96	95	94	93	92	91
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
80	79	78	77	76	75	74	73	72	71
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
60	59	58	57	56	55	54	53	52	51
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
40	39	38	37	36	35	34	33	32	31
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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