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**Year 2 – Term 3**  
**Travel through time**

This term our topic will be 'Travel through time!' Children will be building their ideas to answer the enquiry question: How has travel changed over time? They will look at cars, the Wright brothers and Isambard Kingdom Brunel and discuss what impact any changes have had on people and Swindon in particular.

**Maths**

During this term we will be beginning to look at money. We will be focusing on adding money, comparing amounts and problem-solving using two-step problems. We will also touch on multiplication and division – finding equal groups, sharing, doubling and halving. We focus on our 2x, 3x, 5x and 10x in Year 2.

**English**

During this term we will be recreating our own narrative based on the story 'A lion in Paris'. We will be using descriptive language to describe a setting and the character. We will also look at the features of instructions and create our own instructions on how to catch a 'monster'.

**Science**

In science our topic is 'Materials'. We will identify and compare different materials and look at their properties. We will also experiment the suitability of different materials for different uses.

**Music**

In music this term we will be focusing on the 'singing of music. Children will learn two new songs and focus on the pitch patterns and rhythm of the songs.

**Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE)**

We follow the Jigsaw scheme of work. This term, the topic is 'dreams and goals'. As part of this, we will be identifying simple goals and how to achieve them. We will also look at working well as a team.

**R.E**

In R.E children will be looking at the key question 'Who is God to Muslims?'. They will focus on respect, the 99 names of Allah and Allah's attributes.

**Computing**



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This term we will be using the programme Purple Mash with a focus on 'creating pictures'. The aim of this unit is to help children to become familiar with using different functions on 2Paint a Picture. They will also be studying different artists and recreating their art using the programme.

### **P.E.**

This term we will be developing our dance skills. This will involve learning to move to a beat, performing using simple movement patterns and composing a short phrase of a dance. They will also perform their finished dance. PE will now be on Thursday's.

### **Support at home**

Please continue to read regularly with your child at home throughout the week. They will either bring a RWI phonics book or book from the book corner as their reading book as well as a library book. Please remember to sign your child's reading record weekly.

Spellings will be allocated on spelling shed with games to help practice these spellings. We will have a weekly spelling test on a Friday as well as a times table/number bond test.

Times tables are an essential part of your child's mathematical knowledge and it is important that they are confident with recalling these quickly and out of sequence. Children need to practise them regularly at home. In Year 2 our times table focuses are x2, x3, x5 and x10.

Thanks for your continued support this year,

Miss Sim and Mrs McCluskey