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Year 2
Curriculum Newsletter

October 2026

What a great start to our learning we have had in Year 2! We started the half term learning all about our class animal, and then moved on to exploring animals in Science. We learnt about habitats and how animals adapt to live in their surroundings. The children enjoyed learning all about food chains, and learnt the scientific vocabulary associated with them.

In English we read "Goldilocks and the Three Bears" and looked at the story from the perspective of Goldilocks. We then looked at "Me and You" by Anthony Browne which is a twist on the traditional tale. We compared the similarities and differences between the two. We then went on to read "Jim and the Beanstalk" by Raymond Briggs where we looked at how this was different to the traditional story and how the characters changed. To end our unit we wrote our own sequels to the story using our own new character.

In Maths we have focused on number and place value, in particular the value of the digits in a number. For example, that 93 is made up of 9 tens and 3 ones. We have been applying these skills to our unit on Addition and Subtraction where we have recently been adding and subtracting numbers.

The highlight of the half term for the children has definitely been learning about schools in the past. They have been busy comparing their school with the school over 100 years ago and have seen lots of photos of the school in the past, including some old class photos! They had great fun creating a list of questions they would ask a child from the past—they were desperate to know if they had toilets! They are very excited for the school trip.

Thank you for your support in providing the children with resources to create their Ferris wheels. It was a lovely afternoon having parents in to help the children create them.

Dates for the diary:

Tuesday 20th October—Parents Evening

Thursday 22nd October—Parents Evening

Monday 26th —Friday 30th October
Half term

Monday 2nd November—inset day

End of Term**—Friday 18th December**

Don't forget to look at our new school website: www.collegetownprimary.com/ for any updates.

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In Autumn 2, we will be reading and studying "Wolves" by Emily Gravett and "The Owl and the Pussy Cat" by Edward Lear

In Maths we will continue with our addition and subtraction topic where we will learn how to add two two-digit numbers (not crossing ten and crossing ten) before moving onto the topic of shape at the end of the term, studying 2D and 3D shapes.

Our Geography topic is comparing a hot place with a cold place, answering the question "Would you prefer to live in a hot or cold place?"; the topic which lots of the children were excited for when we told them on transition afternoon!

Our PSHE topic is building relationships with others and in Music we will be starting to learn the songs for the KS1 Christmas Performance.

In PE, we will be learning how to structure sequences of actions and skills in order to perform to others.











