

College Town Primary School



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Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter

December 2025

In English we read a non-fiction text called ‘Wolves’ by Emily Gravett. During this unit we found out lots of different facts about wolves, for example, that they have 42 sharp teeth! We used the information that we found out to write our own non-chronological reports. We then went on to study the poem ‘The Owl and the Pussycat’ by Edward Lear. We really enjoyed understanding the new vocabulary in the poem and finding some rhyming words so that we could create our own version.

In Maths we focused on Addition and Subtraction and the relationship between the 2 operations. The children explored different methods of solving problems and looking at how knowing their number bonds can help them with more complex calculations. We also learned about 2D and 3D shapes, understanding the properties that enable the children to identify each shape.

The children studied Australia in Geography lessons. They explored some of the physical features that make Australia special, looked at the climate and weather conditions in different parts of the country and compared the similarities and differences between Australia and the UK.

In Art the children used their Geography to help them design, create and decorate their own aboriginal inspired masks out of clay.

In RE the children have been learning about the Christmas Story and why Christmas is important to Christians. They learned about the different ways in which Christians celebrate Christmas.

Dates for the Diary:

Monday 5th January:
Return to school

Friday 16th January:
Trip to Windsor Castle



Next term we will be learning.....

In Maths we will be learning about money and multiplication and division. This will include our 2, 5 and 10 times tables and how these can be represented in different ways e.g. $2 \times 5 = 10$ and $5 \times 2 = 10$.

In English we will be using the books "The Journey Home" by Frann Preston-Gannon and "The Bear and the Piano" by David Litchfield. In both of these books, the children will be retelling the stories in their own words, writing letters and information posters.

Our main topic will be History where we will be looking at castles with a focus on Windsor Castle as it is within our county and is a working castle. What is even more exciting is that we will be visiting the castle on Friday 16th January.

In DT we will be giving the children the opportunity to design and create their own castle with a moving part. To help us with this we will be asking you to provide recyclable items for your child to use for their creations.



Reminders

Please help your child to remember to bring their reading record and book and a water bottle into school every day.

When you read with your child at home please record it in their diaries as this helps us know how much they are reading.

Days for PE and the Library:

Badgers—Thursday

Squirrels-Thursday

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