Dates for your diary

- Children's Mental Health Week: 1st – 5th February
- Safer Internet Day: 9th February

Until further notice, schools in England will again be expected to play a new role in support of vulnerable learners and key workers. This will involve the school being open for some of our pupils but many will be working at home. We have created home learning packs, which can be accessed through the school website or in paper form via the school office. The school office will be open each day.

Home learning

In children's home school diaries, you will find login in details to Mathletics and Purple Mash. In the letter sent to all parents and carers, you will also find a suggested timetable to structure home learning experiences. We will alert you to new tasks uploaded to the website via text message at weekly intervals. Teachers will be making weekly phone calls home to support with home learning and check on the wellbeing of all children in their class. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you require further support.

Southwold Primary School

Year Two
Spring 1
Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to welcome you back and hope you have all enjoyed a relaxing and productive Christmas break. Thank you to so many of you who supported your children with their half term homework relating to our new topics. Please feel free to speak to us about your child's progress or any concerns you may have. Information about what your child will learn this half term is on the inside of this booklet. Throughout term time and within school hours there will be accessibility to the parent room to change reading books should you wish to do so. We look forward to working with you and your child.

Best wishes,

Year 2 Team

Our topic this half term is Explorers

Literacy

As writers, we will be looking at stories with recurring language. We will also be writing a non-chronological report, using subheadings and including factual information. After reading some poetry, we will get the opportunity to write and recite our own to an audience.

Mathematics

As mathematicians, we will be developing our understanding of addition and subtraction. We will be learning more about money and looking at different combinations to make amounts. Finally, we will be exploring shape further, looking at their properties and using these to make comparisons.

Science

As scientists we will find learn about plants. We will observe and describe hoe seeds and plants grow into mature plants. We will also find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

Recommended Reads

The Claude series

10 Things I Can Do to Help my World

Music

As Musicians we will be singing, performing, improvising, composing and listening.

RE: What does Hinduism teach us about good conquering evil?

PSHCE: Let's Work

ICT

We will be looking at basic algorithms to move Beebots.

Art and Design Technology

As artists we will be creating our own 'Sunflower' paintings in the style of Vincent Van Gogh. We will be looking into Van Gogh's painting style with a focus on brush strokes and mixing colours before creating our own Sunflower painting.

History

As historians, we will be looking at Christopher Columbus. We will be using historical sources to generate and answer questions, learning the story of Christopher Columbus, place dates on a timeline and recognise how my life is different from those in the past

Physical Education

As gymnasts we will be looking at different ways to travel over a range of surfaces and apparatus. We will learn to balance along benches, roll in different ways and how to disembark and climb a 'horse' safely. We will then put all these skills together in a sequence.