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	Our topic this half term is Robots.
Please note that this overview may be subject to change if unforeseen circumstances arise.	
ENGLISH	In English, we will be retelling the story of No-Bot the Robot. We will be writing a narrative to
	accompany the short film The Lone Robot. The children will write an entry for the school
	newsletter as well as replying to a letter. We will also write a rhyming poem.
MATHS	In Maths this half term, we will be learning about multiplication. This will involve learning times
	tables and solving problems using taught methods for multiplying. We will also look at money,
	becoming familiar with coins and notes and using them to solve problems.
SCIENCE	In Science, we will be looking at the uses of everyday materials. The children will investigate a
	range of materials and test their suitability for a specific purpose.
COMPUTING	This half term, during our topic on creativity, the children will be making a book using Story
	Jumper. Story Jumper is a web-publishing program that allows children to add images to text
	creating a professional looking book which can be purchased. Our stories will be about Robots.
	Our online safety covers internet permanence.
ART	This term we are looking at the work of Lowry. We will be honing our line drawing and colour
	mixing skills as well as learning how to use the medium of watercolour paint. Collage will also be
	part of our topic.
GEOGRAPHY	In Geography, we will use maps, globes and atlases to identify hot and cold areas of the world.
	The children will learn to identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom and
	the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and
	South Poles.
RE	The children will be thinking about how different people celebrate a new year and deciding
	whether it is important to celebrate New Year.
PSHE	The children will look at the topic 'Say No!', where they will recognise the different uses of
	medicines. We will also discuss the dangers of smoking and alcohol.
MUSIC	This term our topic will be "How does music make the world a better place?". The children will be
	exploring feelings through music. As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose, children
	will listen and appraise different songs.

## PLEASE REMEMBER:

**WATER BOTTLES:** Please send children to school with a clear plastic bottle of water, labelled with their name. This will come home every day to be returned the following morning. Please note that juice is not allowed.

**HOMEWORK:** We will continue to send the children home with their spellings every Monday to be tested in school the following Monday. Maths and English homework will be posted on Google Classroom (as well as a paper copy sent home) every Friday and will need to be completed by the following Wednesday.

**PE**: Our PE days are Wednesday and Friday. We will be doing inside and outside PE this half term. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on their PE days. As the weather gets colder, they will need a t-shirt, jogging bottoms, a warm fleece or hoodie (black or blue please; no bright colours) and plimsolls or trainers. If your child wears earnings, please provide tape, so that these can be covered during PE lessons.

**READING**: Please ensure you read each day with your child and record this in their reading diary. Reading books will be changed twice a week, so please make sure books and reading records are always in school as this may not always be on the same day each week.

## DIARY DATES:

Thursday 8th February: Movies and Munchies (Y1-Y3)
Friday 16th February: School closes for half-term at 3:10pm

Thank you for your continued support.
The Year 2 Team