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Spring 2 - During this half term the children in Year 2 will be looking at the following areas:

Curriculum Area	Content to be taught in school	Possible Activities to be completed at home
English	This term we will write narratives inspired by traditional stories then read and write riddles. Children will focus on recognising and writing different sentence types (statement, exclamation, question and command) and using correct punctuation. They will continue to develop the use of appropriate and adventurous language when writing. We will read a broad range of unseen texts and they will answer a variety of written questions to show their understanding. They will accurately read and spell high frequency words and words with given spelling patterns.	Read, Read, Read! Please continue to hear your child read at least five times per week. Reading traditional stories and asking your child questions about the key features of those stories will reinforce learning at school. Support your child with their spelling homework and occasionally revise previous spellings.
Maths	This half term we will cover the following areas: Children will gather information then record it onto pictograms and graphs. They will interpret and compare data. In week two, children will choose and use appropriate units to estimate and measure mass using kg and g. We will revise strategies for all four operations (+, x and ÷) and solve word problems. Children will use the inverse operation to check their work. Children will continue learning to tell the time using an analogue clock. Each child will aim to be able to tell the time to five minute intervals. We will solve time word problems.	Regularly recite x 2, x5, x10 and x3 multiplication tables. Write division tables for division by 2, 5, 10 Ask your child to estimate and look at the weights of everyday objects (kg and g). Regularly encourage your child to read the time. Ask everyday questions of time i.e. `If it takes 30 minutes to walk into Durham what time will we arrive?` Please continue to support your child with their maths homework.
Science	Children will observe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. They will carry out experiments and find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to germinate, grow and stay healthy. They will work scientifically by observing, recording and comparing.	Ask your child what they have learnt about plants and explain what they see when you are out and about this Spring time.

Computing	Children will continue to learn about the key ways they can stay safe on line. They will record and interpret data using a variety of programs. Children will continue to develop their programming skills using Scratch Junior	
RE	Children will learn about the life of St. Cuthbert and appreciate why he is remembered today.	Ask your child to recall details and information they have learnt following our `St Cuthbert` visit to Durham Cathedral.
Geography		
History	Children will learn about the Great Fire of London (1666). They will understand where, when, why and how the Great Fire started and why it took so long to extinguish. They will look at photographic evidence of London in the 17 th century and learn how changes were made to ensure that it did not happen again.	Ask your children to recall facts they have learnt about the Great Fire – when it started, where it started, who was blamed for starting the fire, why it spread so quickly and so far.
PE	In Gymnastics children will create a sequence on floor, mats and apparatus by linking a roll, a balance, a jump and travel. Children will continue to develop their dance routine for the Dance Festival at the Gala Theatre in March.	
Music	Children will listen to and appraise music. They will sing and perform together. Children will continue to learn notes on the glockenspiel.	Ask children to sing the songs they have learnt.
Art	This half term children will be working with clay to produce a tile with a floral decoration. They will look at the work of professional artists and discuss their style. Children will learn how to manipulate, attach, paint and glaze the clay.	
Proposed Educational Visit	14 th March 2017 - Durham Cathedral (half-day) – to learn about the life of St Cuthbert.	