Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter - Autumn 2 Bonjour Claude!	
D.O. et le e	role as Claude and writing their own adventures for him to go on. The children will begin this half term consolidating their knowledge of
Maths	place value to 100 and counting forwards and backwards in steps of 2, 3, 5 and 10. They will then be learning strategies to solve addition and subtraction calculations using practical equipment to help them. The children will also learn and use number facts to 10, 20 and 100.
Science	The learning for this half-term will be Uses of Everyday Materials. The children will identify and compare the suitability of a variety of materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses. They will explore how objects made of some everyday materials can change shape and how the recycling process is able to reuse some everyday materials numerous times.
RE	Over the half term, children will be learning about candle light. They will look at simple examples of candle light in different situations and how this can make people feel. The children will then explore how candles are used in Diwali and Advent.
Computing	This half term, children will be learning to use a device to take photographs. They will learn what makes a good photograph and about portrait and landscape photography. They will learn to edit a photograph using a simple software program.
DT	During Design Technology this half term, children will learn to think like designers. They will research what an axle is and how to make a simple axle with wheels. They will then design a moving vehicle using what they know and proceed to make it and revise it if needed.
History	This half term, children will be learning about Queen Victoria. They will learn to sequence events from her life in chronological order on a timeline and begin to learn how her reign affected the country.
PSHE	Our theme for the term is 'Relationships'. This half term we will be focusing on families and friendships. The children will learn about the qualities of good friends and different ways that people meet and make friends. They will consider the things they have in common with their friends, classmates and other people and how to play and work cooperatively in different groups and situations.
PE	At St Denys the children learn to develop their fundamental movement skills of agility, balance and coordination. We believe these skills are vital and will help to support your child in accessing sport and physical activity and introduce them to the skills that will help them be successful. This half term we will be focusing on: FUNS 10 Co-ordination and FUNS 1 Static balance. Please see the PE board, in the hall, for more information.

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