




## Year 2 Learning Grid – Spring 1

**Book led unit: 'Leo and the Octopus' by Isabel Marinov Science: Animals including humans**

Talk, think, read, write	Design and create	Let's perform
<p>Can you make a colourful poster about an animal and its baby? Choose any animal you like—for example, a cow and a calf, a frog and tadpoles, or a cat and kittens.</p> <p>Remember to use some scientific words like offspring, habitat or life cycle, and include a few fun facts about how the parent and baby grow, move or survive.</p> <p>Make it bright, clear and exciting to read!</p>	<p>Using a paper plate, make your own <b>colour wheel</b>! Start with the <b>primary colours</b> (red, yellow and blue), then add the <b>secondary colours</b> (orange, purple and green). Have fun painting and mixing your colours!</p> 	<p>With a grown-up, create a short <i>mini performance</i> showing how the heart and lungs help your body.</p> <p>You might pretend to be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>heart</b>, pumping blood around the body</li> <li>• The <b>lungs</b>, breathing air in and out</li> <li>• The <b>body</b>, running, jumping, or resting so the heart and lungs have to work differently</li> </ul> <p>Take pictures or create a video to send to the office!</p>
<p>Create a simple timeline showing important moments in your life so far. Choose a few special milestones—like your first day of school—and add photos, drawings or short captions. Arrange your events from when you were youngest to now. We can't wait to see your wonderful timelines!</p>	<p>Create a portrait of yourself only using 2d shapes – Cubism inspired. Can you also label the shapes? Don't forget to think about the type of shape to use!</p> 	<p>We will be looking at healthy eating this half term. Design a healthy meal. If you want, you can cook your own healthy dish and present it to someone at home as if you were a famous chef! Remember to talk about why each item is healthy. Pop your healthy meal design into your homework book.</p>
<p>Go on a short walk with your grown-up or look around your local area to spot 3–5 people or places that help your community. These might include a post office, a shop, a crossing patrol, a park keeper, a doctor's surgery, a library, or even a helpful neighbour. Have fun exploring and noticing all the wonderful helpers who make our community a better place! Write a short blurb about this in your homework book.</p>	<p>Using cotton buds, can you create a George Seurat, Pointillism inspired piece of art inspired by the seaside? Don't forget to use lots of different colours!</p> 	<p>How do you stay fit and healthy? Think about ways in which you stay fit in a week. You could photograph yourself doing exercises, take a video or keep a diary – it is up to you!</p>